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v son and a friend lost two Game Boy games on 12-4-93. We looked everywhere for those games to no avail. You can imagine my surprise when this afternoon on the first nice day we've had in many months, I found both of the lost games in my backyard. They have been outside for three and a half months in snow and -20 degree weather. I was happy to solve the mystery of the missing games, but really didn't expect them to still work. My son got his Game Boy and tried both games. They both played great! I am very pleased with your product. Keep up the good work.

LISA WOLF N. CANTON, OH

Grover, reading the October 1993 issue. He loves to get the latest tips on the newest Super NES games.

MATT WITKOWSKI BATAVIA, NY



Don't know what it is with pets and Nintendo Power, but they seem to be able to read the magazine as well as anyone else!

i! I'm one of your subscribers in Canada and I just want to say that I love your magazine! I'm a pretty artsy person, I draw, paint and do other things like that during my spare time. A few Christmases ago, when I got my new Super NES, I was so excited I decided to make some figures to go beside my Super NES. (I thought it would be cute.) Since it was during Christmas, I had lots of free time, so I started to sew a replica of Mario. After I was done. I created a whole clan of replicas of the characters from Super Mario World! Soon I had 14 figures to put beside my Super NES. Pretty cool, huh? I'm working on a Samus replica right now.

CLEA FORKERT KINGSTON, ON



hat good are Super Power Stamps if they're so hard to get? I mean...they're a great idea, but you should have more ways to get 'em.

MIKE ANDERSON WAYNE, NI

Check the Stamp Saver Section in your catalog. Give the monthly Power Players challenge a try! We're planning more ways to get Stamps to you!

am writing about the Super Power Stamps. I think they're great. I mean you practically can get items for free. I plan on saving them up for the Mario Paint Guide or the Best Play Basketball, I think that there should be more ways to win Super Power Stamps, like more contests and in the Player's Poll. In the Player's Poll Contest, the Grand Prize could be the regular prize plus 10 Super Power Stamps, Second Prize could be the regular prize plus 5 Super Power Stamps and Third Prize could be the regular prize and 3 Super Power Stamps.

FRANK VALENTINE STATEN ISLAND, NY

ello? Hello? Am I dreaming or am I looking at my second Super Power Supplies catalog? Well, I'm not dreaming 'cause this thing is filled with way cool stuff. Keep it up NP! I'm looking forward to more Super Power Stamps and the third catalog.

TONY COREY WASHINGTON, NC

Tony has probably fainted and is lying on the floor right now because he just got his third Super Power Supplies catalog! If you know Tony, read this issue later and please go over to his house to wake him up. But don't forget to tell him that in November of this year, we're gonna hit him with the fourth Super Power Supplies catalog! Nintendo has a truck load of new games coming out later this year and the merchandise in the fourth catalog will certainly reflect that.

IF YOU'RE IN THE MOOD TO WRITE, WE'RE IN THE MOOD TO READ! We're looking for great summer vacation stories! And we're still on the lookout for photos of you with Nintendo Power at interesting vacation destinations. Send 'em in. PLAYER'S PULSE

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think the Super Power Stamps are great! I am saving mine up for a Link's Awakening Player's Guide. It will really help me play the game a lot easier. I don't get a lot of money, so it helps me out a whole lot. I really like everything. Like the Mag Protectors-I look in my NPs so much, they can get a little beaten up. I also like the Mag Action Stand, I can't tell you how many times the pages turn by themselves while I'm using them. Not to mention the fact about the genius idea to make the pages plastic. Being the clumsy person I am, all my pages are stained from soda and grease from popcorn and chips. All I do is play my Super NES all night so I eat my dinner and snacks right in front of my TV. I can't wait till I get some more Super Power Stamps so I can order from you!

TIMMY KIECK WAUKESHA, WI just bought something out of the second Super Power Supplies catalog and cut the price almost in half by using Super Power Stamps! I think you should have contests about three times a year where you could win up to 50 Stamps! I wouldn't hesitate to enter that

JOSH MILLER CHARLOTTESVILLE, IN

think the Summer 1994 Super Power Supplies catalog is super! The T-shirts and posters are totally cool! My favorite item is the Super Metroid Limited Edition Print. I think this poster is the best one yet. My order for the poster is already in the mail. The Super Power Stamps that are worth a dollar off are a good idea. Please send more Super Power Supplies catalogs and Stamps!

JOHN WATZKE III ABITA SPRINGS, LA

Our apologies go out to Tracy & Jamie Orlando of Rock Falls, Illinois. The TOP 10 list that they sent in was featured in the Player's Pulse in Volume 61, but was improper-ly credited to Joel Self of Santa Clara, California. Sorry about the mix up!

EDITOR'S CORNER

Nintendo's current advertising campaign is designed to let you know how our games should really be played: LOUD!!! On the literal

front, it makes perfect

sense: turn up the volume on your TV when you play games with great sound like Super Metroid. But it also makes sense since Nintendo makes the best games and we've got a lot to shout about! We're excited about the attitude and edge that our "Play It Loud" ads convey, but we do want to know what you think. Please write.

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Fox McCloud and company cleaned up the galaxy in Nintendo's first Super FX game, Star Fox, but General Pepper's space aces are taking a little break right now. Don't worry, they'll be back! The current FX action is taking place down on the ground in Stunt Race FX. The flying-bythe-seat-of-your-pants action that Star Fox delivered is captured brilliantly in this gear-grinding racing and driving game. Each one of the race cars has a unique "personality."

360° PERSPECTIVE ON A WHOLE NEW WORLD

If you take some time to watch the demo scenes, you'll soon see that the world you will be racing

in is a realistic 3-D environment. You can choose from three perspectives by pressing the Select Button. But no matter what your perspective changes to, it'll appear that you're really there—in the midst of all the action!

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Blasting down the track with the speedy 2WD racer! This view demonstrates the default perspective setting. It rates a "medium" level of difficulty.

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If you select the view from inside the cockpit, in the driver's seat, you've effectively increased the difficulty level of the game.



COUPE

We might suggest that you begin your Stunt Race FX racing career with the Coupe, It's not extremely last and it doesn't have a high top speed, but it handles pretty well and doesn't have a tendency to get away from you, control-wise. It's more durable than the F-Type.



If you get into trouble in a corner or run up against a retaining wall, you can bring the mild-mannered Coupe back under control with relative ease.



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We dare you to recreate this scene! Where's the track? Did the Coupe get launched off the side of the track or is this a case of a roving camera?





SPEED TRAX

Consisting of twelve totally different tracks spanning three difficulty levels, Speed Trax comprises the main racing section of the game. Before you can access the Master tracks, you'll have to complete the entire Novice and Expert classifications. Go through the Novice classification with each race vehicle to test its performance.



EASY RIDE

A good finishing time for Easy Ride is anything under 2'00"

Depending on which car you choose to race with, there are certain areas to watch out for. Be careful going down under the underpass if you've chosen the F-Type racer. You could take some damage.





Set up for the next corner as you pass under the Check Point sign and don't let the blimp distract you!



Watch it! There goes the latest shipment of Stunt Race FX Game Paks.



AQUA TUNNEL

Aqua Tunnel features a section of track built underwater, enclosed in glass. It's a cool effect, but can be a little dis-

tracting at first. Pay close attention to the corners while racing through the tunnel and set yourself up properly to be able to take them at full speed. Use a little bit of Boost when exiting the tunnel so you maintain your momentum going up the hill toward the finish.



Onn't let Flipper frighten you when he jumps up and over the track. You won't hit him



If you shift to the cockpit perspective while blasting through the tunnel, you'll wind up with drops of water splashing up onto your windshield. Cool!



It looks like there may be a sunken ship near the tunnel. Don't let it distract you



SIINSET VALLEY

Sunset Valley is the most dangerous track in the Novice classification. Some corners are not ade-

quately marked and there are large rocks that have fallen onto the track. The sound is really cool when you go through tunnels.





Steer clear of the cones in the tunnel and give a wide berth to the herd of range animals when you begin your final lap.



During the third and final lap, big boolders will falls from the cliffs above the track. They can put you gut of commission quickly.



NIGHT OWL

If you're good, you could have 100 or more extra seconds built up by the time you reach this track. That's really the purpose of trying to achieve the best possible time

Extra Time carries over to the next race and allows DESIGNATION TOWNS



benefit by keeping your rig down on the track!



Use the L and R Buttons for extra cornering ability Especially when faced with bight harroin corners like this!

STUNT RACE FX

As far as the ability to take and withstand demage, the F-Type, racer is the weakest of the three main vehicles, it's also the slowest accerating vehicle out of the three. However, it does have the fastest top the factor of the three thre speed-140 mph flat out









KING'S FORE

The Expert classification starts off with a foggy little cruise on the King's Forest track. It's not an extremely difficult course, but there are some tight corners that can cause difficulties. The fog burns off during the second lap and

the sun comes out in full force,



You can press the X Button to stretch your vehicle up and "jump" over a rival. A good passing technique



Your visibility is reduced a little bit by the fog. but not so much that you won't be able to see every corner when you need to.



Sea Breeze looks like it should be a breeze.

There aren't any really sharp corners! However, there are some obstacles in the half-pipe section that can throw you for a loop. Try to stay low

in the half-pipe if you can.

Stay to the left through the water in order to pick up the Boost Power-Ups. You'll need them if you want to score a great time.



The half-pipe section is probably best navigated by the 4WD vehicle. It mils best with the rounded terrain





WHITE LAND

Miscrable conditions prevail at the White Land race track. The entire course is covered with snow and ice. The 4WD vehicle is the best choice here because it's very stable on unprediction.



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When landing a jump, it's important to have your racer pointed in the right direction. You could some out, otherwise.



The pure white stuff along the sides of the track is snow that has

track is snow that has been cleared away. Try not to get into its



On the third lap, down the back straight, a pair of



NIGHT CRUISE

The fourth and final race track on the Expert circuit (excluding the Bonus

Round), Night Cruise, features some very tight corners. Imagine that you're competing in a Grand Prix and you're racing through the streets of some big city. That's the feeling that you'll get on this track. Selecting the cockpit view provides constant thrills on this track. The corners come up very quickly and you have limited time to react.



Just after the start/finish section, Fox McCloud takes a short break from training for his next mission and swoops down in his Arwing fighter to drop off a Boost Power-Up for you.



rns Don't use the L and R Buttons



Check out the track below. Again, you're racing in a realistic 3.0 world



LAKE SIDE

You've worked your way through the Novice and Expert circuits and have earned the right to compete in the Master classification!
The Lake Side track features a classic racing layout and some yery cool and interesting special effects...

like a drawbridge! It's really got it all.



The grated drawbridge is being raised slowly! You can see how far it has opened from elsewhere on the track. It gets pretty steep on the third lap.





It's a very good thing that the polygonosaurus is a vegetarian! It would be cool if it tried to chomp on your car, though!



BIG RAVINE

Because of the length and layout of the Big Ravine track and the time constraints applied in the Speed Trax races, this race may prove to be the most difficult. Get in some practice on the hairpin turns



There are some very large obstacles to watch out for on the Bio Ravine track.



amund this truly treacherous track



Built entirely in the clouds, the Sky Ramp track features rolling ups and downs along extended straight stretches and turns that are mainly of the 90 degree variety. You'll be using the L and R Buttons quite a bit here



The Star Fox squad is checking out the Sky Ramp race and will make a few fly bys



It's not too often that a blimp floats below you This should give you a strong indication of how high up you are



The Harbor City track is probably the longest track in the entire game. This 3 minute-plus trek covers a course that is wide open, for the most part. There are some obstacles to contend with, though. For example, there is a section of

the half-pipe part of the track that is missing. Boxes and cones are also





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Harbor City is just as challenging if you run it backwards! Have some Free Trax fun) Rules? What

STUNT RACE FX



BONUS

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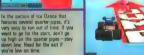


Getting off course during an Ice Dance run is not a good idea. Your time will run out quickly. Head straight for the doors.





off the end of a jump of you





When it comes to collecting stars, the square-shaped Rock Field course is easy to complete with a PERFECT score. The only tricky

sections are the hazardous and potentially damaging whoop-de-doos. Blaze through the rest of the course!

Approach the green and white-striped bowl shaped obstacles head-on. You could easily get turned around, otherwise.





A direct head-on approach should also be employed as you make your way over the whoop-de-doo section of the Rock Field course. The 4WD handles this section much better than the other race vehicles do. Good suspension



Someone left the water running! There are no deep sections, but the water in Blue Lake keeps the Coupe and F-Type racers bogged down. Go for the 4WD. Its monster mudder tires breeze through the water.



Use Boost every now and then to keep your speed up because the water tends to hinder your goal of forward mation



To save time, take the shortest route that will give you the most Know where you're



sight and the Coupe doesn't have enough speed to clear the last big set of ramos!



UP' N DOWN

Again, on the Up 'N Down course, the 4WD vehicle seems to be the best choice for making the run for the finish. There are lots of tall jumps on this course, hence the name Up 'N Down. The

suspension systems of the Coupe and F-Type just don't handle the kind of abuse that this kind of course can dish out. But the 4WD, being the

hungry racer that it is, gobbles it right up and asks for more!



It may not look like it, but it's pretty easy to miss the stars that are placed in the centers of the green and white-striped bowls.



This is the proper way to land a jump - vahicle aimed straight ahead with the wheels source to the oround



This landing may be another story. The Coupe may not be in a good position to pick up the next star.



RADIO CONTROL

The Super FX chip gives you the ability to rotate any polygon and see it in a true 3-dimensional view, so why not take a view from a stationary perspective while the action goes on around you?

In the Radio Control section of Stunt Trax, you take a bird's-eye view of the play field. Your perspective rotates in one location, much like a camera would view the action. Your goal is to knock the three other

vehicles out of commission.





C-YA! Wouldn't wanna be va. Number 2 busts apart as you continue your search for victim number 3

PFFD CARACES

SLAMIII The first casualty of the Radio Control course bites the dust. Even the slightest touch will take a vehicle out, but your car won't take any



Getting up close and personal with passes almost directly underneath your viewpoint. You can't see much around you here.



STUNT RACE EX.

Charles Charles ing ability, the mini-monster truck (AD)



four wheels getting traction is a big help when it was to comering and blasting out of those comers. Not of Boost reckets the 4WD shaes!





has course by yourself and the company and the



MARINE PIPE

If you view the small on-screen map of the Marine Pipe track, it looks pretty oval-ish and uneventful. It's not a thrill-a-second kind of track, but if you get into a bumping match with your rival, the half-pipe sections of the track can pose a serious

problem, especially if you're racing with a vehicle that spins out easily. If your vehicle gets rammed in the half-pipe, you could end up going over the edge of the track and into the water. Splash! You lose



There they not Just before the race starts or dunno the race. you can change your perspective. Just press Select



The battle rages on The 4WO has to look over its fender to see where the F-Type is. Stay on the Boost.



Whoal The F Type

rammed the Coupe in the half pipe and has sent it over the edge of the track, It's one way to win, albert sneaky



The Cotton Farm is another track that has a classic racing layout,

There are no big surprises, but the racing action could get hot because of the S-turns and the hairpin turn. Enter the hairpin turn on the outside of the

> track and try to cut the corner as much as you can. Once you've made it half of the way through the turn, get all over the Boost

and scream like a rocket down the stretch to the finish line



another, often the only way a driver has to get ahead is to resort to nasty tactics. Here, one Coupe is knocking the other out of first place by smashing it into the side-rail of a particularly tight corner



The Coupe has run out of Boost Just be patient. A supply will automatically build back up.





To avoid getting bumped by the Coupe as it attempts to pass. the 4WD has extended itself up. A jump, if you will



PORT ARENA

The Port Arena track is fairly long and features a few obstacles that can really give you problems, especially if you're locked in a tight battle for the lead! Down the

back straight, just after you've reached the top of the short incline section, you'll come across a median. They're those strange things that just sit out in the middle of the road and appear to serve no real purpose. You have to steer clear and go around them. Just around

the next corner are two more of the crazy things!



A great movel The Coupe bumped the F-Type into the wall and now appears to be in position to win the racel



This shot is another prime example of how cool the various perspectives can be in Stunt Race FX. The split-screen view shows the Coupe exploding from two angles!



FOXIC DESERT

There are a few gigantic boulders sitting in the middle of the course down the back stretch of the Toxic Desert track and a couple of hazardous road swells that act like jumps as you near

the finish line. Other than that, Toxic Desert is non-toxic. Sterilized, if you will. The track is wide open and you shouldn't have much trouble if you want to try for a pass. However, this can also play to your disadvantage if you are in the lead.



What is the? Formation racing? Both 4WD vehicles have launched themselves off of the mad swells. Taking jumps while at full throttle is too cool!



If you prefer, you can try to go around the boulders on the right, but there's more more on the left



if you want to experience a shocking head-on collision, just have one player turn around and stand on it!

STUNT RACE FX

2WD

complete. The 2WD is like a motor



The steering is very sometive, it will take more time to get the control of the 2WD vehicle down put. It's difficult, but have some fun with iti



and the property of the proper



haunting tune, Interplay has transformed J.R.R. Tolkien's classic fantasy into a magical adventure for up to three players. Closely following the path of the fictional Frodo, your furry-footed hero leaves his home in Hobbiton and battles orcs and other dangers from the Barrow Downs to the Mines of Moria. Piecing together clues and aiding in quests, the party navigates the endless twists and turns of their chosen path.



ONE RING TO RULE THEM ALL

In the third age of Middleearth. Sauron again rose to power in the dark land of Mordor, commanding fell beasts and evil, twisted men. Nothing could stop his domination of

the west . . . except the Ruling Ring, which he had lost in another age. Now that the Ring has been found, the only hope is for a party of hobbits and their companions to take the

Ring beyond the Misty Mountains to the land of Lorien. Fans of Tolkien's fantasy will recognize the fellowship and many landmarks, but this adventure has its own secrets and dangers.



You can use the Super NES Mouse instead of a regular Controller, but we don't recommend it.



Up to three players can join in the quest using a multi-player adapter and extra



Experience The Lard of the Rings on a new, interactive level, and expect the unexpected

THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE RING

Frodo must gather all the strength that he can if he is to survive the trek through the wilderness to Rivendell, Since strength comes in numbers, it's a good idea to bring companions along. Most of the same characters who appeared in the story will join Frodo, but at different times. Frodo leads the way until Aragorn meets them in Bree and assumes





FRODO BAGGINS A gentlehabbit of Hobbiton in the Shire. Frodo inharits the Ring and all of its troubles.

SAMWISE GAMGEE

Simple but courageous,

Samwisa sarvas Frodo as gardener and valet. He

dearly wants to see elves.

The youngest member of

the fellowship is brave

but feelhardy. Don't let

Frodo's cousin waits at

Crickhellow to join the

party when they enter

the Old Forest

MERIADOC BRANDYBUCI

him wander off.

PIPPIN TOOK



ARAGORN Also known as Strider in the north, Aragom is



a ranger and hair to the throne of Gondor.



Simil the dwarf has traveled far to join Frede With an exe in his hands, he is a terror.



Legalas, an eff from distant Mirkwood uses a bow and armw to keep ones at bay.



GANDALF Gandelf belongs to the order of wazards. The guest of the Ring is his great task in Middle-earth

HE HOPE OF THE WES

West of the mountains lies a wilderness of rivers, forests and ruins. The company must pass unseen through this land, but Sauron's unsleeping eve watches all.



ESCAPE FROM THE SHIRE

At the start of the game, the Ring Wraiths are already at the borders of the Shire. Your first task is to enlist the help of Pippin and Sam, then head cross

country to Crickhollow where Merry is waiting. From there, your journey leads into the mysterious Old Forest where Tom Bombadil lives.



Begin your guest by talking to all the hobbits in Hobbiton. then leave by the north gate and defeat all the wolves so Pinnin will follow you. Since Sam won't leave his aging Gaffer until you find the old man's glasses, head west to the caves and search them using the maps in the manual. The caves are vast, dark and full of foes. so beware. You'll also need to find two gems in the caves. When you receive the Key to Hobbiton, leave town, but don't cross the bridge. Leave the trail and head south and east toward Crickhollow and the Brandywine River. To cross the ferry. you'll have to help Farmer Maggot by defeating an attacker then recovering his jug from Ted Sandyman, Finally, take a note and oar to the ferryman.

Clear the Physpan I

In the rains to the west of Hobbiton, search the vast caverns for the Gaffer's glasses. You'll also find gems, armor and wapons here.



NORTH DOWNS

HOBBITON

The hobbits will give you lots of advice and many hints to help you get started.



Once you we found the fern in the cave, take it to an old man in another cave who will give you the gem.



BRANDYWINE

The Gaffer relunioushes the key to the gate ff, you return his plasses.

BAG END

Frodo must leave his home at Bag End and make his way toward Rivendell. Gandalf has left a message indicating that he should first head for the town of Bere, which is not lar from the Shire. But rumors of Ring Wraiths on the roads have already been heard in Hobbiton, so every step Frodo takes leads him toward danger, not away from it.



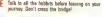
When J.R.R. Tolkien first published his epic tale, no one had ever heard of orcs or Mordor. It was a work of incredible imagination. Tolkien, a linguist at Oxford University, even created languages for the imaginary eooples

of his realm. The story of the Ring is encompassed in three volumes: The Fellowship of the Ring, The Two Towers, and The Return of the King, You can add immeasurably to the richness of this game by reading them.

HOBBITON



BRANDY WINE Talk to all the hobbits before leaving on your BRIDGE journey. Don't cross the bridge!





Although the road to Bree across the bridge s faster than the Old Forest route, your party can't fight off the Ring Wraiths waiting beside the mad

OLD FOREST

Everything is strangely aware in the Old Forest Even the nathways channe steering you toward Old Man Willow.



FARMER MAGGOT You'll have to lend a hand to Maggot before crossing at the ferry



THE FERRY



Take the mushrooms and other items found in the bags

Use the note from Farmer Maggot and the oar to cross the river

Although you have barely left the fields of the Shire. the dangers mount with each step. Fortunately, the tiny hobbits are a sturdy folk and their daggers bite deeply into the ankles of

unwary foes. If you are playing alone, remember that you can switch control from your leader to the other members of your party. When new hobbits join you, carefully watch their hit points until they've gained several levels of experience. You don't want to leave a comrade hehind



Orcs have attacked Farmer Maggot's house You've arrived just in time to save him.



What an oar-deal Find the Honey Jug and Maggot will lend you an ear







RING WRAITHS

The nine Ring Wraiths of Mordor are Sauron's most terrible servents. These chosts cannot see in the light of day, but they are drawn to the One Ring. If you cross the Brandvwine Bridge. vou'll discover just how strong they ars. Ayoud the Wraiths at all

cnetel.



Hobbits with daggers are no match for the servants of Sauron. Take the long way around.



While searching for the Hobbit Juice, you'll face countless attacks by welves.



Once Frodo and his companions have landed safely on the east side of the Brandywine, proceed straight ahead through Buckland-the narrow strip of the Shire where Frodo was raised. Soon, you will reach where Merry Crickhollow Brandyhuck is waiting, Gandalf's note instructs you to head east to reach Bree. The roads aren't safe, but the eerie Old Forest is hardly any safer. You'll also meet a company of elves. Listen closely to their advice. Farther on, a man will give you the Key to Bree. The path in the Old Forest leads you to Old Man Willow, who captures your companions. Seek out Tom Bombadil, who lives in the northern part of the woods, then return to the tree. Soon.

The next leg of your journey takes you into the haunted Barrow Downs, Here you'll find a maze of passages and ancient tombs. If you disturb the tombs, Barrow Wights appear and attack you. You'll find several elven amulets in this area along with lots of gold, better armor and weapons, and the keys to locked tombs. Follow the maps on the next pages to navigate the maze of the Downs. The gold can buy you information and items in Bree

Bombadil appears and frees

your friends.



from Gandalf directing you to meet him at Bree

Gilder Inglerion, an elf ford, gives you a gateway gem.



The elves near the Old Forest have much wisdom. Ignore them at your own risk.

OLD MAN WILLOW

Old Man Willow sings a beyotching song to lure travelers to a terrible fate His singing is so powerful that he controls all the trees and paths in the Old Forest. Some say that he is related to the dark Huorns of Fangorn Forest across the Misty Mountains, but nobody knows for sure. Although his sleepy song is reportedly beautiful to hear, Old Man Willow has a rotten core. Only Tom Bombadil, the most ancient being in Middle-earth, has the power to command the Willow.



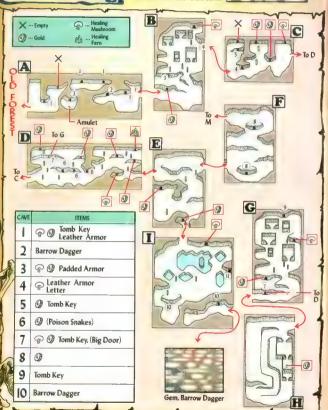
Old Man Willow has a taste for habbits. He'll lure your



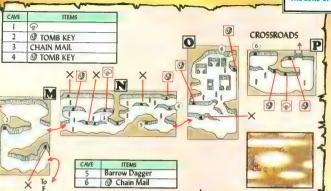


The Barrow Downs were once the homes of proud kings who fell into evil. Now they jealously guard their hoard of treasure and dark secrets. The mists that cloak the Downs will chill a traveler to the bone.













You can buy armor and weapons in Bree. You can also pick up better equipment in the Barrow Downs and the huge cave of Wilderland.

Be sure to speak with everyone. You'll find a woman's ring in the Wilderland caverns along with Legolas' bow. Be sure to map the caves. Another woman gives you a letter only if Aragorn is with you. Beyond Bree lie the mazes

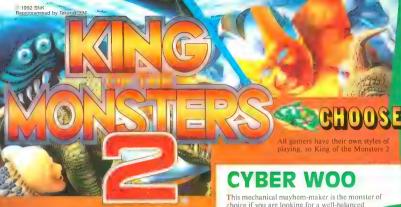
of Wilderland and the dark secrets of Могіа.







Trolls and Balrogs lie ahead, but the final journey to Mordor must wait for Volume Two.



Giant monsters ravaged the Earth, and the humans cowered in fear. Then, when Alien forces landed on Earth, they ended up being worse than the monsters! Now Earth's only hope for survival lies with the King of the Monsters.

BIG MONSTER ACTION!



King of the Monsters 2, by Takara, gives you a chance to recreate the action of your favorite B-rated movie. Crush small buildings, munch jet fighters, and combat the evil Allein hordes that threaten the Earth. You can even battle your friends in a two-player mode.



This mechanical mayhem-maker is the monster of choice if you are looking for a well-balanced fighter. Cyber Woo has powerful attacks as well as good attack speed.



If you get a chance to power up Cyber Woo, you can blast opponents with an explosive Laser Cannon!





ATOMIC GUY

The power of a nuclear explosion courses through Atomic Guy's veins. High-voltage attacks and lightning fast reactions make this monster the one to beat. Choose this character if you're a beginner!





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YOUR MONSTER!

has three different fighters to match their skills.

SUPER GEON

Pointed horns and spikes make this monster a powerful foe! His long reach keeps enemies at a distance, but his slow speed makes him a challenge to control.



Super Geon's strength and read will help make up for his slow attack speed





Finishing off all of the bosses is tricky when you are playing alone. You can only Continue the game a few times, but with this trick you can double your chances of beating the

bosses. If you are about to lose your monster and are all out of Continues, quickly press Start on Controller II. You will take control of Player 2 and will have a whole set of Continues to use!



If you've used your last Continue, grab Controller iii
and press Start before you're toast.





As Player 2 you will have a full complement of Continues you can use to finish the game.



Charge up Atomic Guys batteries, then let foose with a

FIGHTING WITH GIANTS

The monsters have their own special attacks, but because they are giants, they also can use haddings is weapons. Press the X Batton to pick up a building then press (again to this will at your enemy.





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AMERICAN

When you arrive in the American City, the Huge. I rogger is waiting for you leight him off at the beginning of the stage, then hurry past the smaller enemies to find him again It's a good idea to find all of the Power-Upsearly in the stage. Because you won't have time to head, when you good the company to the power-Upsearly in the stage.





Watch out for the Huge Froyger's jumping attacks. If he hits you with one, you'll be knocked to the ground. If you jump away quickly, he ll miss you!

FRENCH CITY

The boss of the French City is actually two bosses. After you defeat the giant humanoid, his blob-like head will come after you. Although it isn't very strong, it can be hard to hit.



Don't get smothered by the blob tike head



GRAND CANYON

Getting to the boss of the Grand Canyon isn't really that tough, but beating him is a whole different story. Try to get Clawhead in a clinch, then take advantage of his weak wres-

tling skills. Watch out for his powerful lashing tongue, or it will hit you hard and knock you to the



KING OF THE MONSTERS 2



Don't bother hitting the plants that come out of the holes Avoid their shots until you can move powerd





THE DESE

The Desert Stage is fairly short, but the boss is the toughest enemy you've met so far! Your best bet is to hit him, then run away.



Avoid the boss's hands when they pop out of the sand. If they catch you, they'll drag you underground and hit you hard.



SEA BED

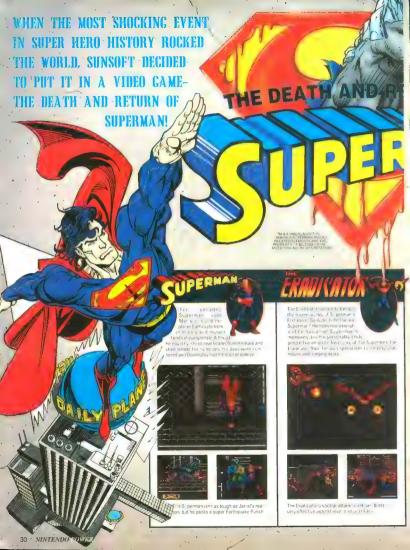
Some of the creatures found underwater can be difficult to avoid as well as dangerous to fight. If you press the B Button continuously, you can swim right over the worst of them and move on to fight the boss.











COMICS

This game includes story elements and characters from both The Death of Superman and Reign of the Supermen comic series You'll begin play as the original Super guy, and later as the four heirs. In some stages, the Supermen fight to determine who is truly superior!





THE DEATH AND RETURN OF SUPERMAN



DEAD OR ALLYE?

Can the incredible, planet-moving strength of Superman crumble into dust? Is his death just a clever

ruse? One thing is for sure, all four of the Super-hopefuls can't be the real Superman. The world may never be the same again.

A BEING OF UNKNOWN ORIGIN IS MEANING FOR METHOPOLIS DESTROYING EVERY-THING IN ITS PATH.

NOT EVEN THE JUSTICE LEAGUE CAN STOP IT.





SUPER HERD DYERLOAD

The planet isn't big enough for five Supermen. Doomsday didn't think it was big enough for even one. Now the

four remaining pretenders must prove their worth. Each hero can fly, punch and kick, but the similarities stop

there. Super weapons and attacks, plus unique grabbing and throwing moves differentiate these heroes.

STEEL

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slege of the underworlders Little suspecting that his fate has already been determined, Superman bravely confronts the assault of the underworld elements infiltrating Metropolis, Bombers, bikers and other terrorizing scum will crumple on Superman's fists, GRAB & THROW The Grab and Throw technique is almost always your best fighting move. It's powerful, and you can use it to find hidden Power-Ups. TART TO A CLAWSTER DOWN & OUT THE CLAWSTER Enemies attack from both By super villain standards, the Clawster is a wimp, Superman shouldn't have any trouble. Your super technique is to push him sides as the elevator drops downward. Watch out for against the edge of the screen and hit him before he can stand up. Ticks and thugs. Attack the Ticks first.









Back Clawster into the corner with punches or throws, then continue to well. Supermen seams invincible, but maybe it's because his opponent has been lobotomized.

SUPER ITEMS

Look for Items high, low and hidden in walls where you have to break them out

Look for 1-Ups in out of the way areas, ike high in the sky



REFILL 1
The light blue Shield refills a quarter of your energy



SUPER ATTACKS
The Red Shie ds give you
extra Special Attacks



REFILL 2
The dark big Shield refills
half of your energy

DMSDAY IN METADPOLIS THE DEATH AND RETURN OF SUPERMA

No maner how good you are, Superman won't survive this level. It won't be the Molotov Cocktail-tossing hoods or biker brawn that stops the man of steel, but the horror named Doomsday that you fight at the end Even if you defeat the D man, he'll come back and send Superman to Elvisville.

WRECKING CRUEL

Lure unsuspecting enemies close to the place where the ten ton ball smashes down. Since your foes have the intelligence of dim ants. they'll foolishly walk into the trap and splat!

















DOOMSDAY

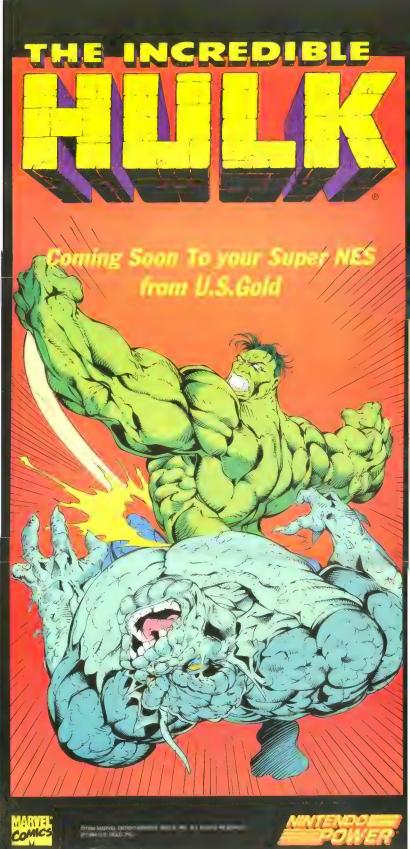
Doomsday drops in twice, but runs away after the first brief-skirmish. Use Special Attacks during the second bout.





The first battle is a teaser. In the real fight, use Spesial Attacks to put him down. After deleating D, however, he'll rise up and strike Superman with a figal blow.







ASSAULT ON GADNUS

Now that Superman is gone, you'll continue your the Cadmus Promission of justice in the form of the Cyborg. In the later areas, the first area of this level; the Cyborg flies toward on the ground.

the Cadmus Project while blasting attack pods. In the later areas, you'll battle enemies in the air and



FLIGHT SCHOOL

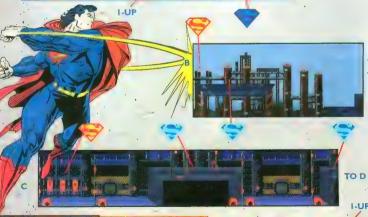
The Elite Flyers don't attack at once. As they gain altitude, swoop in and punch them out. It takes two attacks to ground them. POWER-UPS

Fly-everywhere, scrolling forward slowly to look for Power-Ups because you can't backtrack. Throw Defenders against the walls to find items.









SENTINEL

The Sentinel may seem tough at first, but it takes damage quickly. Dodge its shots, use Special Attacks and stay close to punch it.



SEN-TINEL

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FEIVEL

Hudson Soft's sensational sequel to the Super NES adaptation of the everpopular animated feature film, American Tail, let's you guide Fievel through five fearful stages to save the Mousekeweitz family from the conniving Cat R. Waul's evil plot. That cunning cat has lured many an immigrant family to a promised land out West where cats and mice work together to make the

perfect place to live. Fievel finds out, though, that Cat R. Waul's real plan is to make them into Mouseburgers! Can Fievel free his family from becoming a feast?



Cat R Waul's cat cronies are out and about to prevent Frevel from



Fievel's fight leads him on a long, hard









THE SEWER

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FLOAT ALONG

Row, row, row your Tuna Can, gently down the Sewer? That's how the song goes in this Stage, although the ride is far from being a gentle one. Keep shooting so when the Bats and Dogfish sneak up, you'll get the jump on them.

> The Sewer isn't all bad-grab the Invencibility Star for an extra edge.





It may be best to brave the rapids on your own, so toss the Tuna Can and swim! Those Dogfish won't be as sneaky.



TRAIN RIDE

the Train Ride Stage, but the trick is to catch up



Fievel school be right on the fast track to finding his family by the time he reaches the Train Ride State.

ROCKY RAT RACE

he thinks he can . . .

Riding the rocky rat race in the Coal Carts is a real game of cat and mouse, but Fievel must persevere if he is to save the Mousekewitz family. Keep shooting to get ahead of the competition, but don't forget to watch your tail, too, because those bandits will surprise you by sneaking up from behind.



Watch your rear! Those nasty cats can come barreling up from



Be wary while swimming over the pits-they can suck you in like a sponge.



The pit with the rungs may be different. What's down there?

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BREAK AWAY BRIDGE

The Breakaway Bridge is not the place to linger, due to the fact that it will dissolve as soon as you touch it. You had better step lively, because there's no turning back!



Use caution when collecting a cache of Coins on the Breakaway Bridge.

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THE DESERT

CATERPULLA

Shoot these leggy little buggers in the head right away, or they'll split up and you'll have more than one pesky pest on your hands.

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CHOICE OF PATHS

This big Boulder won't budge, and it looks mighty peculiar, as well. Shoot at it several time and it will disintegrate, revealing an underground alternative to the hotter high route. There's no scaring away the Scorpions-they're above

and below, but you may escape the villainous Vultures.

There are no Vultures down here, but watch out for scads of sandy landslides.





GREEN KIVER

final confrontation with Cat R. Waul



It appears that no one else deres brave the temble terrors of the town Green River.

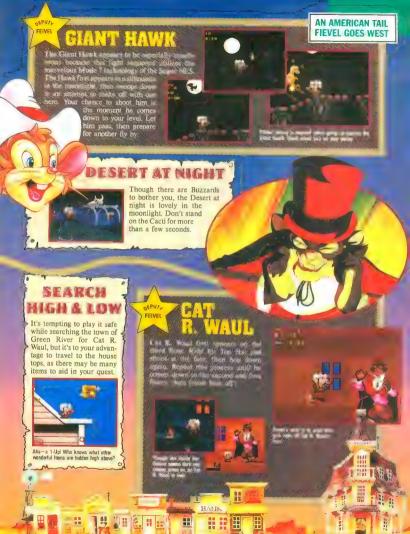
MARY DARGERS

Green River home to all Cat R. Waul's henchmen. Be prepared for a showdown with Cat Gangsters, a shootout with Snakes, and a barrage of Bombs falling from above. There are a few helpful Items if you look carefully.













Sonia is also originally from the planet Sonic Blast. There she received the Power Shoes, making her the queen of kick. Although her attack power is lower than the others, she is very fast.

SPINNING FIRE KICK



Press Down Up on the Control Ped, then Y and B at the same time and you lokely ight the fize of an unlucky loser

FLYING KICK



On the Control Pad, press Right twice, then X for a smashing kick that will slice, dice and pulverize your unsuspecting enemy!

HALF MOON KICK



Pressing X will send Sonia spinning into a Half Moon Krck. This technique works well against every foe except the bosses

FIRE THROW



The Fire Throw works well, when an enemy has invaded your personal space Grab the guy, then press X to send him whiching away.

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CAPTAIN CHOYEAR

Captain Choyear was a navy pilot until a near-fatal crash required a scientist to turn him into a cyborg to save his life. The Captain isn't quick, but makes

up for it with masses of mechanical muscle.



GIGA CRUSHER

When bad guys begin

to build up, press the Right or Left Button to charge up, then X to sauté a screen full

Grab an enemy and press X to crack his cranium with the Giga Crusher

BREAKER



Press Down and Up on the Control Pad then Y and B to send the Breeker's abominable shooting barreling down on the bad guy



MEGA PUNCH

Press the Right or Left Button then Y to let a Mega Punch fly

ELECTRIC REAM!



When things get sticky, perform the Mega Punch, but press X to zap the competition away







Stage One sets the scene for this smash 'em up super sequel: The tel F. w io clean house!

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The best way to beat these well-protected pros is to get behind them and throw, although their Shields seem to be no match for Sonia's kick



Cannon Hand will go off at the drop of a dime, so don't stand in the path of his shooting Instead. sphere, approach him from the side or from behind.



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In Stage Two, your mission is to intercept the military transport Mane and rescue the pilot from the clutches of the alien army K y





POINT ITEM

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The objective in Stage Three is to protect the "S" Port from the contract of the contract o Three is no exception, so begin patiting:

The funny business isn't very amusing when these clodhopping Clowns come on the scene. Keep both feet on the ground-if you hop, they'll have the advantage. A Special Skill will eliminate them fast.



The Stage One Boss is back, but you won't get in trouble, because he's merely a slower, weaker version of the former foe. Go for the gusto and tough it out with your tried and true techniques.





press A.



SPIN GUARD

To mid in your assault against those parties niarly peaky perpetrators, try these tricks. Rather than getting backed into a corner, send yourself spinning to safer ground by using the Spin Guard. For a short range spin, hold Left on the Control Pad and press A. For a medium range spin, press A only and for a long range rescae roll, hold Right and



This knife-throwing nuisance is not nearly as nice as his predecessor. Rather than keeping at a distance, grab him immediately to reduce chances of damage.



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There's a spot on the Pier where all the dangerous degenerates seem to appear at once. Have a supply of Power Points



available and perform a Special Power right away. Once you get into it with the goons, though, the Special Power will lose its strength. Use it or lose it!





ROBO

Robo-Animal is as mean and tough as they come, but at least he is only able to attack by rushing in toward you. Get into the swing of avoiding his oncoming charge while whomping him as you step aside.



Once he changes color, the real Robo-An mal rears his ugly head



OTHER STACES

The action and excitement certainly don't stop here there are many more monsters remaining to manhandle and mash! Muster your marvelous mettle and carry on in the name of freedom and justice for all!

STAGE 4

In Stage Four, you must breach the barriers of the Jungle Base, because it is the link to the secret Space Base of Operations. Your mission is nearly complete!

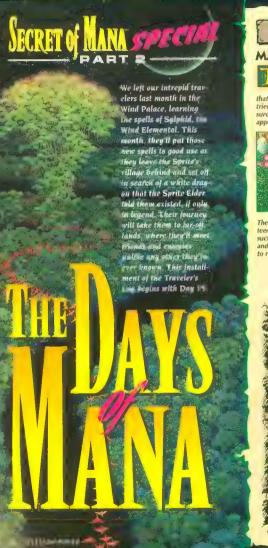


ne Stage Four Boss is a master of disguises le first appears as a Tyrannosaurus Rext

STAGE 5

Once the Stage Four boss has been beaten, the Sonic Blast Man Team will be whisked away to the enemy's nerve center the Alien Base in Space!





MATANGO

he Girl used Sylphid's Analyzer Spell to determine that Sylphid's magic would remove the Orb

that blocked our path. The Sprite tried Sylphid's Air Blast spell, and, sure enough, it made the Orb disappear into thin air.



The woods beyond the Orb were teeming with dangerous wildlife, such as Crawlers, Steamed Crabs and Nemesis Owls, If we stopped to rest, they attacked in packs.





KING TRUFFLE



e were directed to Fung Castle, where we met King Truffle, One of his subjects had reported see-

ing a white dragon battling a huge snake. He beseeched us to save the legendary dragon.







fter removing the Orb. we took the first path that led to the east, then we went south

around a small lake before heading north towards the cave.

CANNON TRAVEL We took a wrong turn and found a

branch of Cannon Travel. Even though we didn't want to leave the area. it was good to know where the





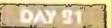
travel office was

THE CAVE



inally, the cave! Inside there was a Kimono Bird. and it kept conjuring up Pebblers. I grabbed the

Stout Axe and hacked down the stalagmites that blocked the way.



hen we emerged from the castle, we could hardly

believe our eyes. We had found an underground empire that sparkled like a giant jewel, and there were mushroom people toddling around. The ones we spoke to proclaimed that they were a peaceful people who had no

use for weapons or war.

THE GREAT VIPER



he giant snake slithered in and out of the underbrush. The Sprite countered its attacks by

casting the Thunderbolt spell.





HITE DRAGON



fter we slew the Great Viper, we walked north to

its lair, where we found the white dragon. It



was young and weak, so we knew that if we left it there alone, it would perish. We decided to take it back to King Truffle.

SPEARS

My weapon collection would have been incomplete without the spear, an ancient weapon that had its uses in my time, especially in hand-to-hand combat.

SPEAR

Luka gave me my first Speer as I was about to leave the Water Palace Crafted in bronze, it was lightweight and easy to handle. Although it wasn't very powerful, I learned hasts disfensive



SPRITE SPEAR

The Sprite Spear once belonged to one of the guards of the Witch's Castle When I equipped the enchanted weapon, I could entrap my enemes in big Balloons



HALBERD

The Halberd was useful for striking, stashin, and hooking enemies. It also held the power to confuse them, causing them to lose their senses of direction. It was a handy weapon.



GIGAS

The ultre-sharp tip of this emazing lence never duffled, no matter how hard it was used. It increased my battle power by two points, so I often hefted it before a fight.



HEAVY SPEAR

A step up from the first Spear I used, the Heavy Spear was also better suited to practice than battle, I used it early in our adventure to slay



PARTISAN

I used the Partisan not only to impale but also to slash enemies. It had a razor-sharp up.



OCEANID SPEAR

The Oceanid Spear's up was crafted of coral, which became superheated during bettle. I used it to sear enemies. This spear also had the power to put foes to sleep



DRAGOON LANCE

The spirit of a mighty dragon, with all its awesome power was seafed miside the Oragoon Lance. It was my weapon of choice when I came face-to-snout with fire-breathing dragons.



RETURN TO MATANGO



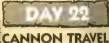
hen we returned to Matango with the young, white dragon. King Truffle offered to take care of it until it was older. In its weakened state, the dragon would only have

been a burden to us. The king told us that we should search for the Fire Palace in Kakkara Desert.





So we left the young dragon in the capable care of King Truffle and took our leave of the sparkling city of Matango.





ing Truffle told us to return to the branch of Cannon Travel that we'd happened upon earlies. The proprietor offered to

lier. The proprietor offered to send us to either Kakkara Desert or the Ice Country. We followed the king's suggestion and set out for the desert.



DESERT DESTINATION



he desert where Cannon Travel dropped us off was barren and deserted, except for Sand Stingers and

Pebblers. We were already very thirsty,



so we set out to find water right away.



One sand dune looked just like the next. In no time, we were hopelessly lost—and we were growing thirstier with every step we took.



hen we first saw the Sand Ship, we thought that it was a mirage, but when we reached its steps and

actually reached out and touched them, we knew that it was realand that we were saved. Our relief was short-lived, though.



SLAVE LABOR



he guards on the shin thought we were imperial spies! They separated the

three of us. I don't know where they took the Girl or the Sprite, but they put me to work in the Engine Room-and I wasn't the only one there. Other people they'd picked up in the desert were being forced to work as slaves there, too.



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It wasn't a mirage, after all. The Sand Ship was all too real, as we discovered when we boarded and were taken prisoner. We were then forced to work as slaves.

SERGO



ne of the prisoners told me that this was the Republic's Sand Ship.



An imprisoned pirate named Sergo helped me escape. He yelled "Fire!" to distract the guards while I sneaked up the stairs.



SECRET OF MANA



I found the Sprite in the galley. It'd eaten all of the food, so they were glad to be rid of it. We found a door that led to a room where the Girl was.



GESHTAR



hen we returned to the deck, we met Geshtar, of all people, I didn't know how he got there, and he

was in no mood to explain. He





mounted his Mechcycle and attacked us. We had no choice but to fight back. The Sprite used Thunderbolt Magic, I used my weapons and the Girl used Cure spells.

> Geshtar struck quickly then sped off on his Mechcycle, When he disappeared, the Girl would cast her Cure Spell to restore our health before he returned.

JAVELINS

I found the various lavelins to be useful and effective, especially in hand-tohand combat. Some had magical powers that helped me in battle, too.

POLE DART

ongole and rescued Unding, the Water



We each took turns using build our experience levels with that type of weepon larly powerful, we could move quickly when carry-



LOGE

JAVELIN

time to escape.

The Lode Javelin carried

enabled its user to trap enemies à Balloon Spells



KAKKARA VILLAGE

fter we battled Geshtar.

he took off and left the

entire party stranded in

here was a nice Inn in the village. We spent the night, then in the morning we

talked to the villagers. All of the water in the town had dried up. They didn't know what was wrong, but Jema had told them that the Mana Seed . had been stolen from the Fire



Palace to the west, and the keeper of the Palace,

LIGHT TRIDENT

The Light Trident was no much experience using this weapon in battles with an



FORK OF HOPE

powerful than the Lode

evil spirits. I use it agains



IMP'S FORK

ure enemies in Balloon Spells. This unusual weapon was decorated with a mysterious and macabre skull



Luke the Lode Javelin, only

Fork had the power to cap



DRAGON DARI

When I throw this amazing dart, it followed the enemy its own and connected with alarming speed it was the best weapon to use against



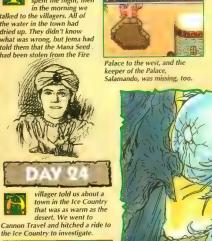


desert. We went to

ELF'S HARPOON







TODO VILLAGE

annon Travel dropped us right in Todo Village, a frosty place with an Inn. a Shop and several small

houses, People here, too, spake of an unseasonably hot town in the midst of all the ice



The Shop here sold many of the same wares that we'd seen in Kakkara Village, We hoped to buy enough Golden Vests for everyone.



We peeked into all of the little houses, In one of them, we found Watts! He had traveled here from Kakkara Village, too.



REINDEER



o the west, we met a rednosed reindeer that had lost its master. We didn't know who he might be,

but we offered to look.



CANNON TRAVEL



e found the Spear's Orb inside the reindeer's house. then we traveled south. We came upon another

Cannon Travel station, but we weren't ready to leave Ice Country.









BOREAL FACE

s we were wandering in the Ice Forest, we suddenly found ourselves at a dead end, lust as suddenly, a massive plant that looked much like the Tropicallo we battled in Gaia's Navel

appeared, and it started lobbing Pumpkin Bombs at us. Sylphid's Analyzer Spell told us that the mutant foliage feared Salamando's Magic-which we didn't have. The Sprite used Earth Slide, and I powered up my weapon to its most powerful point to inflict the most damage I could with every blow. Still, it was a fierce hattle.





The Boreal Face tunneled up out of the snow right under our feet! It took all of our strength-and a lot of the Girl's healing magic-to beat it.

ROWS

Even though I wasn't a particularly skilled archer, I often armed myself with a Bow for protection as I traveled. Being able to attack enemies as they approached saved me on more than one occasion.

CHERRIN'S

Gara's Navel stole this how from Chobin

SHORT BOW

Even though it was crafted from forged steel, the



The Long Bow was an



crossbow it had the special



BOW DE KOPE

This special bow worked extremely that were hot enough to char ene-



DOOM BOVE

Enemies feared this weapon and often Red when they saw it. It the abdity to slow or completely



It took 27 craftsmen four years to create this fine bow, which had a range of more than half a mile. It





THE HIDDEN PARADISE

fter we destroyed the Boreal Face, the woods to the north opened, creating a path that led to a warm, hidden paradise. We thought it odd that such a pleasant place could exist surrounded by ice, but the vil-

lagers didn't question their fortunate weather. When one of them asked us to watch the stove, we



more suspicious, We heard a strange sound coming from the stove. and when we opened it, a flaming being burst out!

hecame even

After thanking us. Salamando told us that he had been kidnapped and forced to heat the village. The keeper of the Fire Palace. Salamando had powers that he passed on to us.





till seeking the red-nosed reindeer's missing master, we headed north from the village into another section of Ice Forest, where we encountered a slew of enemies,

the like of which we'd never seen before. We were fascinated with the new powers that Salamando had given us. The Girl and the Sprite practiced cast-



ing their new spells until they were proficient as using them. then we continued our search. In one opening in the trees, we met Neko, who was hawking a new set of wares. On our way through

the woods, we'd run low on supplies, so Neko was a sight for sore eyes. Even though his goods were

expensive, we were glad to pay the price, for they were the only wares in the area. We stocked up before heading to another opening in the east, where we found the entrance to the Ice Palace.



SECRET OF MANA



their Salamando Magic to attack him. It soon melted the frosty beast.



SANTA?



he Frost Gigas suddenly changed, and we couldn't believe our eyes. He became Santa, who told

us how he had tried to use the Mana Seed to make the ultimate Christmas tree. Using the Seed incorrectly had made him a beast!





THE ICE PALACE



hellblasts guarded the Ice Palace entrance, We tried to enter using the center hallway, but it

closed as we approached.



There were two narrow halls, one to the left of the main hallway, the other to the right.

ONPOLE TRIO



fter fighting through Mystic Books and Spectres, we dropped into a room full of Tonpoles.



These Tonpoles looked just like the one we fought near the Water Palace, so we knew they'd turn into Biting Lizards before the fight was over. We took them on one-by-one. concentrating our efforts on a single lizard at a time.

FROST GIGAS

fire, so the Sprite and the Girl used



e finally met the monster we'd heard so much about. It was a fearsome Frost Gigas, a big, blue beast that cast powerful Ice Saher and Acid Storm spells. His weakness was



BOOMERANGS

Because they could be thrown from a distance. boomerange made it possible for me to attack without risking injury. I could also reach enemies behind barriers using a boomerang.

BOOMERANG The lightweight basic

Boomerang had little power to damage enemies, but fight. I used it for practice



CHAKRAM The wooden

four sharp blades, It





damage to destroy the weaker



RISING

Although it was very thin and light. the Rusing Sun flew





RED CLEAVER

The huge Red Cleaver was an ultra-lightweight metal, I used it to battle insects



FRIZRAR

10,000 times per slashed enemies to cially effective against



CORRA SHIRTTLE

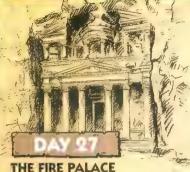
special powers, 1 could poison enemies and great distance with it.



SHUBIKEN

mysterious pow-







fter building experience in the Ice Country, we followed Santa's advice and returned to Kakkara Desert to restore the Mana Seed to its rightful place. We found the entrance to the Fire Palace northwest of

Kaldara Village: inside, the intense heat nearly overwhelmed us.







THE MINOTAUR

e fought our way to the inner sanctum of the Fire Palace, where we met the Minotaur, I knew that we

had to destroy him before we could seal the Mana Seed.



We dodged quickly to avoid the Minotaur's long, sharp horns, I thought it wise to keep our distance, so we relied on magic for our attacks.



TO THE EMPIRE

hen our party returned to Kakkara Village, the people were talking about a place called

the Empire, and Cannon Travel now listed it as a destination



SOUTHTOWN



e chose Cannon Travel's new destination and landed in Southtown, a small village with close-

mouthed inhabitants. One of them told us about a weird woman who lived in a house on the west side of town. We decided to pay her a visit to see what was so weird about her.







MARA'S MESSAGE



he woman's name was Mara, and she claimed to be a spy. We don't know whether or not she really

was, but she did give us a password



that she said would get us to Resistance Headquarters in Northtown.

RESISTANCE HEADQUARTERS

hen we told the guard in Southtown the password, he stepped aside and let us to enter the sewer, which was really a secret

> she thought that we must be spies.

finally found our way to its exit. Mara had told us the truth! We stepped out into Resistance Headquarters, where we met the Resistance leader, Krissie, At first,

When we told her that we knew about Dyluck, Krissie believed that we weren't spies after all.





GLOVES

The glove weapons were useful for fighting in close quarters, and many of them held magical powers. as well. Learning to use them all made us well-prepared, versatile fighters.



KNIICKI F

gloves, the Spike Knuckle doubled my punch





POWER

than the Spike Knuckle, and it had special strength agenst the insects and crustaceans I



MOOGLE CLAW Three claves

steen It was a "handy" weapon indeed



CHAKRA

and it was taid to give it special strength.





GLOVE

Originally worn for se defense, the Heavy Glove later became Originally worn for self



HYPER FIST

I was told that the Hyper Fist once belonged to an assas sin who committed countless murders using the terrible glove. It was effective





A trio of talons were attached to this metallic glove. Few





Dragon Claws could pierce even the trick





NORTHTOWN



fter talking to everyone in Resistance Headquarters, we ventured out onto



the streets of Northtown, a bustling city with many shops and homes. We stopped off at a Shop that had more powerful armor than we'd seen before, so we bought all that we could afford hefore maying on.





THE EMPIRE RUINS



he Resistance had told us that Dyluck was up to evil tricks in the nearby ruins.

so we went to investigate. On the way, we met Phanna, who seemed to be in a trance.

Krissie took her back to town while we continued into the fog-shrouded ruins to find out what mysterious force was at work there.

DOOM'S WALL



ur final challenge in the ruins was Doom's Wall, which looked like the Wall Face that we fought in Pandora Ruins. The Girl used the

Analyzer to determine that its weak ness was Lumina Magic. Unfortunately, we had none.



The Sprite's Earth Slide spell had worked against the Wall Face, so we tried it on Doom's Wall. It worked well here, too, so we concentrated all of our energy on the wall's center eve. The Girl kept



healing us with her magic when the wall's spells wore us down, and soon the wall crumbled.



DYLUCK



fter dooming the wall, we discovered Dyluck. The Girl was ecstatic when she saw him, but it was

soon apparent that he was not himself. He drained the Girl's energy, then told the Sprite and me to go through the door ahead.





THANATOS



he Sprite and I went behind the altar and through the door. There we met Thanatos who

attempted to take control of the Girl. Dyluck resisted, though.



angering Thanalos. He left us to the mercy of his Vampire, a frightful creature

that cast dreadful spells and tried to suck the life from each of us.

SECRET OF MANA

THE VAMPIRE



nly by casting spell after spell were we able to control the battle and defeat

Thanatos' Vampire, While we celebrated, Thanatos and Dyluck disappeared.





THE FINAL EPISODE AWAITS

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CLASSIFIED INFORMATION





FROM AGENT #491

Extra Continues

Agent #491 has found a big-top full of codes for Aero the Acro-Bat by Sunsoft. You can improve your chances of finishing all of Aero's high jinks when you have five extra Continues. When you first turn on the game, wait until the Title Screen appears, then quickly press X, Y, B, A, X, A, B, Y. Up and the L Button. When the Continue Screen appears, you will get 5 Continues instead of the normal three.

Press X,Y,B,A,X,A,B,Y,Up, then



Quickly enter the code when the Title Screen appears.



Your extra Continues will appear on the Continue Screen.

Level Skip

With this tricky series of codes, you can skip any level of the game. When the Start Screen appears, press Down, A, Down, Y, Down, A, Down, Y, then start a new game. Pause the game as soon as you can, then press Up, X, Down, B, Left, Y, Right, A, L and R. Now when you pause the game, you can skip to the next level by pressing the Select Button. This code is tricky, but you can explore the entire eame if you enter it correctly.



On the Start Screen, press Down, A, Down, Y, Down, A, Down, Y then begin



Pause the game and enter the second part of the code Press Select and Start to skin ahead

PINK BANTHER PINK GOF'S TO HOLLY WOOD

FROM AGENT #770

Invincibility Code

If you are having trouble getting past any of the Pink Panther's enemies, try this easy trick. When you are playing the game, plug in Controller B and have it ready to use. When you reach the area that is giving you trouble, hold the L Button no Controller E. As long as you have the L Button held down, you will be invincible. After you get past the tricky area, you can continue playing as normal.



If you are having trouble with an area of the game, try this trick.

Hold down the L Button on Controller II and you will become invincible

Super Slow-Motion

This unusual code doesn't help much when you're playing the game, but it is a neat trick to play around with. Anytime during the game, hold down the R Button on Controller IL. At first, it will look like the game has been paused, but if you continue to watch the screen, you'll notice that the game has been set at super slow-motion. It's impossible to play the game like this, but it's cool to watch.



White you're playing the game, hold the R Button on Controller II.



All the action on the screen will run at a super slow-motion speed

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From Agent #133

Invincibility Code

Agent #133 has found two codes for Wolfenstein 3-D that will help any player finish it. If you find yourself getting damaged by enemy attacks, try using this invincibility code. When you are getting ready to play, hold the R Button on Controller Lithen turn on the power to your Super NES. When the Title Screen appears, release the R Button and start a new game. Pause the game then press B, Up, B and A. When you continue playing, your enemies can't hurt you!



Hold the R Button on Controller I, then turn on the power.



Release the R Button when the Title Screen appears, then start a new



Pause the game then press B, Up, B, and A on Controller \bar{L}

When you resume playing, you'll be impervious to all attacks

Level Exit

Have you been through the first few levels of the game way too many times? Then this code is for you! Before you start playing, hold the R Button on Controller I, then turn on the power to your Super NES. When the Title Screen appears, release the button and begin playing a new game. Anytime that you want to skip to the next level, pause the game and press Up, B, R, then B. When you resume playing you will skip to the next stage.



Before you begin playing the game, hold the R Button then turn on the



Release the R Button when the Title Screen appears, and begin a new game

Il

If you want to skip to the next level, pause the game and press Uo. B. R.



When you resume playing, you'd skip to the end of the stage



If you still can't beat the game when you use one of these codes, try using



You can enter any of the codes at the same time to customize the game to

Daffy Duck

FROM AGENT #123

Ducks Galore

Duck Dodgers never had it so easy! When you use this great code, discovered by Agent #123, you can try to foil Marvin Martian's evil plans with 50 ducks in reservo, to enter the code, begin a new game, and when the screen reads, "Where there's duck, there's fire," appears, press Left, Left, Right, Right, Up, Down, Y. A. B and X. If you enter the code correctly, you will hear a voice say, "Mother"

Left, Left, Right, Right, Up, Down, Y, A, B and X.



This game can be tough when you only have a few ducks



When this screen appears, enter the Extra Duck Code.



When the Title Screen appears, press Start and begin a new game



If you hear a voice say, "Mother,"
you'll start the game with 50 extra

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FROM AGENT #162 Games Change Code

If you have already mastered MLBPA Baseball by Electronic Arts, then these game altering codes are for you! You can change many of the elements of the game by enter any of these special passwords at the Resume Season screen. After entering the code, begin a new game and start playing. For added challenge, you can use several of these codes at the same time.

POWER PITCHING: POWER HITTING: RUBBER FIELD: ICE FIELDS: **CHALLENGE MODE:** PWRP **PWRHT** RBBR BRRR NNTH

POWER PITCHING





Enter the password PWRP, then start a new game or season



You'll add 40 mnh to your pitcher's

POWER HITTING



Usa PWRHT as your password if you need some offensive help.



Your batters will bit at full power with every swing

RUBBER FIELD



For alle ding challenge try using RBBH for your password



The field will act like it was made of rubber, bouncing the ball a llover

ICE FIELDS



For a lighter fielding challenge, use BRRR as your password,



The field won't change color, but the hall will slide as if it were made of ice.

CHALLENGE MODE



For the ultimate challenge, enter the password NNTH.



You will begin in the bottom of the ninth, four runs behind



FROM AGENT #926 Day of the Tentacle

With all of the zany fun of Zombies Ate My Neighbors,

many players never realize that they miss the very first Bonus Round in the game. Enter BCDF on the Password Screen and you will begin the game at the Bonus Round, Collect all of the Power-Ups then continue playing the game as normal. Shoot the hedge at the top of Stage I with the Bazooka to enter the Bonus Round again.



Normally, you'll begin the game on Stage 1 and miss the first Bonus



Enter BCDF as your password, then start a new game



You will begin the game at the "Day of the Tentacle" Bonus Round



After finishing the Bonus Round, contique playing the game as normal

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FROM AGENT #015

Bosses' Moves

It is possible to play as the powerful bosses in Fatal Fury 2 if you use the code that was printed in last month's Nintendo Power, But if you want the bosses' special moves you'll need this month's magazine. The directions work when you are on the right side of the screen. so reverse them if you are on the left side. With practice you can master these great attacks!

B LAWRENCE

SWORD THRUST FLYING PUNCH

CAPE FLIP SWORD THRUST



then Y

Hold ← then → and Y

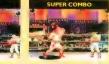
W. KRAUSE

HIGH FIREBALL LOW FIREBALL HANDS OF FIRE then Y then B K then Y





FIREBALL



BULLY KANE

BO THRUST AIR THRUST BO SPIN POLE VAULT

Hold ← then → and Y Hold of then a and Y Y or X pressed repeatedly ⊀1 y then B









FIREBALL SLIDING PUNCH SUPER COMBO

then Y Hold

✓ then → and Y Hold X and A for eight seconds





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PALADIN'S QUE HOW DO I GET THROUGH THE CRYSTAL MAZE?



you wander around in the Crystal Maze, you're sure to be caught by Doth, its all-seeing guardian. To reach the center of the maze without being caught, follow these steps; Walk Up 7 steps, Right 2, Left 2, Up 2, Left 2. Down 1 and Left 2. Next, go Up 1,

Left 2, Up 2, Right 3, Up 2, Left 1, Up 2 and Right 2, Continue Up 5, Right 1, Left 1, Right 1, Left 1, Right 1, Left 1, Right 1, Left 1 and Right 1, Now walk Up 3, Right 2, Down 2, Right 1, Left 1 and Down 3. Finally, go Left 1 and Down 5 to the center of the maze.

When you get there, you'll have to answer two questions. The answer to the first is "F," the answer to the second is "E." When you answer both questions correctly, you'll get the Spirit Magic Spell, which you can use to defeat Doth



If you try to find your way through the Crystal Maze without a plan, you're sure to be caught by Doth



When you reach the center of the maze and ansy the two questions, you'l get the Spirit Magic Spell



Use your new spell to defeat Doth, the Crystal Maze's fierce quardian



WHERE DO I FIND SOPHIE'S BOOTS?



ophie's Boots are in the vast area of the Ancient Dungeon, where you'll find the four Crest Doors, Go through the Sky Crest Door to reach the Life-form Research Laboratory and find the elevator in the upper right corner. Ride it up one floor, exit and walk through the wall on the left. Open the Treasure Chest there to find Sophie's Boots.



Walk through the Sky Crest Door to the elevator



Go up, exit and walk through the wall on the left

JURASSIC PARK

HOW DO I KEEP RAPTORS OUT OF THE VISITORS' CENTER?



ou'll have to block the door leading from the Raptor Pen into the Visitors' Center. First, be sure that you've re-booted the main computer, then go to the lower level of the Raptor Pen and locate the large, wooden crate. Stand so that you can see the elevator door on the opposite side of the room, then begin pushing the crate. Slide it into position in the doorway in order to block it off. The main computer must be re-booted before the crate will move



Go to the lower level of the Raptor Pen and find the crate. Stand so that you're facing the elevator



If you we re-booted the main computer, the crate will move. Slide it into the doorway to pen the Raptors in.

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WHERE DO I FIND THE LAST EGG?



Ithough the Eggs aren't numbered and you can find them in any order, the one that most people have problems finding is in the southeast corner of the island. It's east of the Helipad in a maze of trees and bushes. You must walk through what appears to be a wall of trees to find it. Walk east from the Helipad until you reach the trees, then

go up to the riverbed. Walk to the right then down, pushing on the trees on your right as you go. When you push the correct tree, you'll find a hidden path that leads over and up to the Egg.



Walk east from the Helipad until you reach the edge of the trees, then go up to the overbed



Walk to their ght from the inverbed, then go down and push on the trees until you find the hidden path.



Fo low the hidden path to the right then up to find the Egg above



WHERE IS DENNIS NEDRY'S I.D. CARD?



edry's I.D. card is in the Beach Utility Shed, which is located in the southwest corner of the island. Go up and left from the Main Gate to enter the southwest forest, then head due south to find the shed You'll find the card on the ground level of the shed, in a room in the upper left corner. Retrieve the card, exit the shed, and walk back up and over to the Visitors' Center. You'll need to use the card to open the door to a secure area of the building.



Go up and left from the Main Gate to find the forest, then head south to the Beach Utility Shed



Pick up the I.D. Card in the upper left room and take it back to open the door in the Visitors' Center

TETRIS 2

HOW DO I EARN A "PERFECT" FOR PUZZLE LEVEL 11?



urn the first piece clockwise once, then move it to the right two spaces. As soon as the first section lands, move the white block all the way to the left, against

the wall. When it reaches the bottom of the screen, slide it right two spaces, next to the flashing bomb. Turn the second piece clockwise once, then let it fall. When the first section lands. move the white block left to the wall and let it drop. As it nears the bottom, move it right, next to the block you placed earlier. Now watch the bombs disappear to clear the level. Perfect!



Flip the first piece clockwise, move it to the right, then side the white block left to the wall



Before the white block lands at the bottom of the screen, slide it right, against the flashing bomb.



Turn the second piece clockwise and let it fall. Put this white block next to the other one.

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WHAT'S THE "PERFECT" SOLUTION TO PUZZLE LEVEL 13?



ake two clockwise turns with the first piece, then move it to the left, against the wall, and let it fall. Turn the second piece clockwise once and let it drop. When the first part of the piece lands, quickly move the remaining blocks left three spaces. When they fall into place, they'll clear the screen and you'll have a perfect solution to the puzzle.



Make two quick clockwise turns with the first piece, then slide it left to the wall and let it fall



Turn the second piece once. After its first section, ands, move the other blocks to the left.

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HOW CAN I RATE "PERFECT" ON LEVEL 28?

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urn the first piece clockwise once, then move it left to the wall and let it drop. Rotate the second piece clockwise one turn, then slide it right to the wall and let it fall. Turn the third piece clockwise once, let it drop until it's one space from the bottom, then rotate it clockwise once more. Turn the fourth piece counter-clockwise once, then move it one space to the left and drop it for the perfect solution.



Turn the first piece and put it next to the left wall, then turn the second and put it next to the right wall.



Rotate the third piece one turn, let it fall to within one space of the bottom and turn it again.



Turn the last piece counter-clockwise and move it left one space, it's the perfect solution.

ONKEY KONG

HOW DO I REACH HIGHER LEDGES WHEN I'M CARRYING THE KEY?



hen you're carrying the Key, you can't jump as high as you usually can, and you can't climb ladders, either To get both the Key and yourself up to high ledges, you'll have to throw it up first. Hold the Key, jump as high as you can and throw it onto the ledge. If there's a ladder, you'll be able to climb it without the Key. If there is no ladder, either do a back flip or jump from a handstand up to the ledge.



To reach the higher ledges, jump as high as you can while holding the Key and give it the heave-ho



Without the Key, you'll be able to jump high jumping from a handstand or use a back flip

HOW CAN I MAKE THE ARROW BLOCKS LAST LONGER?



here are a couple of strategies that will help you use Arrow Blocks to your best advantage. The first won't actually make the blocks last longer, but it will help you decide where to place them. When you pick an Arrow Block up, the screen will freeze and you'll can place the block wherever you want it. When placing it, remember that they begin to disappear in the same direction that they appeared. For example, if you place a block so that it stretches from right to left as it grows, when it disappears, it will disappear from right to left, as well. Consider which direction of growth will be most helpful, then place the block so that it will still be in the space where you need it when you need it. Another strategy is to use two blocks together. If you place two of them, one right after the other, the first one won't begin to disappear until the second one you placed is gone, so you can actually make the first one last longer than it would if you placed it alone.



will disappear to an oph to ell, too



Arrow Blocks that stretch into ladders from bottom



If you place two Arrow Blocks, one after the other

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LOOK FOR THESE RELEASES

LORD OF THE RINGS, VOL. I

Company	Interplay
Suggested Retail Price	
Release Date	
Memory Size	8 Megabits
Game Type	

Welcome to Middle-earth, home of hobbits, wizards, elves and a darker side ruled by Sauron who covets his lost ring. Interplay's adventure conveys much of the feeling of Tolkien's stories by loosely following the events through about half of the journey to Mordor. The overhead view allows for hours of exploration, item-collecting and puzzle-solving. Your hobbits and their companions must face the dangers of the Old Forest, Barrow Downs, Wilderland (Troll Shaws), and the Mines of Moria. Fighting off the creatures of Mordor won't be easy, either, but your fellowship will gain strength from each victory. Fans of the Lord of the Rings will find much that is familiar in this game, but Interplay has varied the events enough to keep you on your furry toes. Be sure to start your journey in Middle-earth with the review and maps in this issue of





- Feels truly Tolkienesque in the graphics and story. The multi-player option makes for a great alternative way to play the game. An excellent musical score and sound quality. Tolkien fans should celebrate!
- Awkward play control when fighting Control with the Super NES Mouse is very poor. Extreme patience is necessary when exploring interior areas, and mapping skills are useful

STUNT RACE FX

Company	Nintendo
Suggested Retail Price	\$59 95
Release Date	
Memory Size	
Game TypeSuper Fx chip, 3-D racing for tv	

It's finally here, and the wait for Stunt Race FX was well worth it. Nintendo spent the extra time in development to ensure that this racer would be more than a quick trip around the course. The variety of tracks, vehicles and modes will keep players riveted until the cows not only come home, but brush their teeth and hobble off to bed. Use of the Super FX chip means extra special effects are possible. The 3-D polygon environment scrolls and scales with precision unmatched in other racing games, making for the most involving on-track experience. The two-player, simultaneous mode lets you go head-to-head with a buddy while the Stunt Trax pits you against some of the most torturous courses any driver is likely to encounter.





- 1 it's easy to get the hang of the controls. Fast and fun. Excellent graphics and depth of play. Two-player simultaneous mode Battery backed up memory. Good sound.
- After crashes, you may find yourself disoriented as the viewpoint of your vehicle may not be what you expected. The stunts aren't quite the loop-to-loop daredevil stuff you might expect.

R-TYPE III

Company	.Inleco
Suggested Retail Price	Not Available
Release DateAu	
Memory Size	
Game Type Shooting for two player	re in attarnatina antion

R-Type fans have probably been wondering whatever happened to R-Type III from Irem, which was supposed to reach the stores last March. Well, as fate would have it, Irem closed its doors and sold the game to Jaleco. What Jaleco received is one of the best space shooters ever. The graphics include some spectacular Mode 7 effects, giant enemies, fast scrolling action and other special visual gizmos. The play is also sharp in six levels of very challenging action. To get a closer look at this game, hunt up a copy of Nintendo Power Volume 58 from last March.





- Fig. Great play control, excellent graphics and lots of challenge with no slow-down. The game has an endless Continue.
- Doly six stages of alien-kicking from

AN AMERICAN TAIL: FIEVEL GOES WEST

Company	Hudson Soft
Suggested Retail Price	\$59.95
Release Date	August 1994
Memory Size	8 Megabits
Game TypeCartoon action for one r	nouse (or person)

America's favorite young mouse-in-trouble, Fievel, gets himself in hot water with every step in Hudson's action game based on the animated movie of the same title. Fievel. alone in New York, must work his way West over back alley clotheslines and down in the sewers, at least until he gets past Jersey. Then the variety starts turning wild and wooly with rattlesnakes and sharp shooters as he heads West to save his family from the notorious Cat R. Waul.





- Great graphics, fun story and action.
- The five stages won't provide enough challenge or depth for all players. Hit detection on some objects is poor, making some jumps difficult as Fievel falls through objects.

SPEED RACER

Company	Accolade
Suggested Retail Price	\$69.95
Release Date	August 1994
Memory Size	16 Megabits
Game TypeRacine	

Speed Racer has enjoyed an almost fanatic popularity over the years as a syndicated cartoon. Now Accolade brings the beloved character to the Super NES. In the opening sequence, you'll steer Speed's racer, the Mach 5, over a twisting, 3-D highway course, collecting Boosters and battling to stay in the lead. After winning the race, a cinema scene fills you in on the story so far. Then you shift into the action adventure mode of the game, controlling Speed who can run, climb, punch, kick and get beaten up. Although such fights often occurred in the television episodes, these video game action stages look like video game graphics, not the cartoon. After taking some abuse at the hands and guns of random thugs, it's time to hop back into the racer and burn rubber, then duke it out some more. and so on, and so on.





- A good idea, and a fun license. Good cinema scenes.
- Seemingly endless driving stages without much challenge Play control in the action stages can be poor. Character graphics and animation in the action stages is also poor. Speed Racer fans will find that this game doesn't truly capture the fun or action of the TV show.

KING OF THE MONSTERS 2

Company	Takara
Suggested Retail Price	\$64.99
Release Date	June 1994
Memory Size	16 Megabits
Game Type	Monster fighting and city stomping
	for one or two players

Although King of the Monsters 2 came out in June (also see the June Now Playing section,) Nintendo Power didn't have space to cover it in a review until now, Takara gives you the chance to follow in the footsteps of Godzilla and battle super mutant creatures and robots. Corny, sure, but also fun.





- The Monster theme is fun and a nice change from traditional fighting games.
- Not much complexity in the fighting strategies or moves.

SONIC BLASTMAN 2

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Company	Taito
Suggested Retail Pri	ceNot Available
Release Date	August/September 1994
Memory Size	12 Megabits
Come Trees	Counting Embling for one or han pleasage

Sonic Blastman returns for more power-punching and super-stomping in Taito's sequel to last year's surprise hit. Sonic Blastman may not have the rich comic book history of other super heroic types, but he has the moves, the courage, and, most importantly, the endless parade of enemies who want to silence his sonic blasts. This is serious side-scrolling fighting with a smidgin of humor, just like the original. Even better, this new version has a two-player option in which a second hero of justice can join in the fun. Sonia, the Blastlady, and Captain Choyear bring new talents to the quest. Each character has 15 different moves including the trademark sonic flurry punches.





- Good graphics and play control. Two-player option.
- Although the game is fun, don't expect anything new in this sequel. Some stages almost seem to be repeats of the original game. Only five stages.

OPERATION THUNDERBOLT

Company	Taito
Suggested Retail Price	Not Available
Release Date	
Memory Size	10 Megabits
Game Type	Shooter for one olgver

It's time to revisit the tumultuous Middle East where war hangs forever in the air like a stench of rottenness. If this target shooting game from Taito also reminds you of something unsavory, don't be surprised. In this game, you are a special agent fighting kidnapping and terrorism in the region. After choosing your agent, you'll be dropped inside enemy territory where you must succeed at several missions before moving on. The action consists of shooting everything, except civilians, as quickly as possible while remaining healthy, or at least alive. The scenes scroll both sideways and forward in the eight different stages. You can heal yourself by shooting Health Packs, and you can upgrade shots and armor. The best part of the game is the multi-player option, which allows two agents to blast away simultaneously and requires them to act cooperatively. Players have a choice of using the Super Scope, Super NES Mouse, or regular Controller.





- Believable mission briefings. Easy to master Good cooperative game in two-player mode Super Scope and Super NES Mouse comnatible
- Play control with the regular controller is difficult. Use the Super NES Mouse for better results. Brutal theme and semi-realistic violence may offend some players. Not terribly challenging.

FIGHTER'S HISTORY

Company	Data East
Suggested Retail Price	Not Available
Release Date	August 1994
Memory Size	20 Megabits
Game Type Tournament Fighting	for one or two players

Data East's entry into the crowded martial arts tournament, Fighter's History, made some history of its own in the courtroom when a judge found that it did not infringe on Capcom's copyrights for Street Fighter II. Players will certainly notice similarities between the games, however, just as they would note similarities between SF II and any of about a dozen other games. In the end, that lack of creativity is what makes Fighter's History just another tournament fighter. The game contains one and two player modes. You can select speed, time limits and skill level. In the Survival mode, your fighter takes on five opponents in single match meetings. With nine fighters in the line-up, you can pick from a wide range of fighting strengths and weaknesses.





- Good play control and graphics.
- Little originality. Data East may have won in the courts, but players won't find many new features to recommend FH over SFIL Annoying sound track and poor voice.

IMPOSSIBLE MISSION 2025

Company	Microprose
Suggested Retail Price	Not Available
Release Date	
Memory Size	8 Megabits
	with puzzles for one player

Impossible Mission 2025 originated with home computers like the Amiga. It is a mix of action stages, arcade sequences and puzzles. One minute your character will be running, jumping and shooting to stay alive in a hostile, alien world, and the next, you'll be faced with an elegant logic puzzle or memory sequence of one sort or another. In the context of the game, the puzzles are part of a computer system that you must crack as you run and shoot. Microprose has even included the original game in this much-improved Super NES version. If you've played the original, expect much more sophisticated graphics and smoother play control. If you haven't, expect a game that is challenging to both action and puzzle fans.





- Good graphics and variety of play.
- Very unforgiving. Much of the challenge is that the game allows only one hit.

THE DEATH AND RETURN OF SUPERMAN

Company	Sunsoft
Suggested Retail Price	Not Available
Release Date	August 1994
Memory Size	16 Megabits
Game TypeComic of	action for one player

It's been said that you can't keep a good man down, and that is doubly true of Superman. In Sunsoft's action-packed The Death and Return of Superman, he doesn't stay dead for long and, once he returns, he takes to the air to kick the collective can of crime. This game combines plots and themes from the Death of Superman and Reign of the Supermen series. In ten stages consisting of scrolling street fighting and flying shooter areas, you get to control the Eradicator, the Cyborg, the Man of Steel and Superboy in addition to the one and only Superman. Each of the super guys can fly, but each also has special moves. Cinema scenes reveal a story with some surprising twists.





- Excellent graphics, play control and a fun story line. Each of the supermen has unique throws and super attacks.
- Not as much variety or challenge as you might expect. Superman's flying attacks and heat-ray vision are very limited.

MARIO'S EARLY YEARS: FUN WITH NUMBERS

Company	Mindscape
Suggested Retail Price	Not Available
Release Date	August 1994
Memory Size	8 Megabits
Game Type	Edutainment

Mindscape's Mario-based edutainment series continues with Mario's Early Years: Fun With Numbers. This Super NES exploration of basic mathematic functions will be released just in time for the new school year, so kids heading off to kindergarten can get a jump on the basics. With Mario as your guide and helper, you'll learn to recognize sets, numerals, geometric shapes and other concepts. The interface is geared to preschoolers and, unlike previous Mario edutainment games like Mario's Time Machine, the game is fairly easy to understand and control. This title should not be confused with any of Nintendo's Mario games which are known for lots of action, secret areas and traditional video game fun. This is serious business with a lighthearted approach.





- A colorful introduction to math for young children.
- Limited exploration of mathematical concepts. Digitized speech is very stilted and awkward.

DISNEY'S BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

Company	\$44.95
Release Date	August 1994
Memory Size	3 Magahite
Game Type	Action for one player

The beast has a limited time to race through his castle and find true love. Armed only with his paws and roar, he must battle unsavory trespassers like spiders, bats and rats. You can take a closer look in this month's NES review.





- Fairly challenging and a good theme. The characters from the movie are integrated better in this version than in the Super NES version
- The graphics look particularly dated. Play control doesn't feel solid and hit detection seems off.

ITCHY AND SCRATCHY IN MINIATURE GOLF MADNESS

Company	Acclaim
Suggested Retail Price	\$27.95
Release DateAt	
Memory Size	
Game Type Action for a	one player

You may have heard of a "scratch" golfer. Well, now there's a Scratchy golfer, and he isn't playing up to par. Throughout this oddball mix of action game hop and bop meets miniature golf, our character Scratchy is attacked by a crazed ltchy with axes, chain saws, missiles and assorted irritants. Luckily, you can fight back by picking up sledge hammers, bats or using your trusty putter. Although a delicate touch is sometimes necessary to hit the ball in the right spot, the real challenge is just staying alive in this pitch and putt nightmare. Check out the scorecard in this month's Game Boy review.





- → Good graphics An unusual and fun game concept. It's also just twisted enough to capture the essence of Itchy & Scratchy.
- Pray control, particularly the golfing aspect, is a bit limited. Timing your attacks can also be tricky

ROBOCOP VS. THE TERMINATOR

Company	Interplay
Suggested Retail Price	Not Available
Release Date	
Memory Size	
Game Type Co	

The comic series comes to plodding life in this action game of future cybertronic justice. You are RoboCop, protecting and serving, and more often shooting everyone around. The Terminator waits to battle you somewhere plugs into this Game Boy metal-masher this month.





- Heavy on RoboCop Good graphics.
- ☐ Light on the Terminator. Lack of any real strategy involved. Little challenge. Play control is very stiff and shooting can be difficult and hazardous when enemies are at certain angles.

COOL SPOT

Company	Virgin Games
Suggested Retail Price	Not Available
Release Date	
Memory Size	
Same Type	

Spot is back for Game Boy, this time in a game that borrows heavily from its Super NES big brother. Spot's day begins at the beach and passes through a dock, a toy chest, various bonus stages and more. He'll have to keep his cool when facing angry crabs or being whisked away inside a bubble. As in the original game, his goal is to rescue captured fellow Spots. This month's Power review highlights what's so cool about this Spot.





- Very good graphics. Although it isn't a Super Game Boy version, it tooks it. Bouncy and fun
- Some control problems, particularly hit detection. At some shooting angles you can't hit objects that are right in front of you.

ELITE SOCCER

Company	Gametek
Suggested Retail Price	
Release Date	August 1994
Memory Size	1 Megabit
Game TypeSuper Game Boy S	Soccer for one player

Soccer on Super Game Boy can be just as complex as the real thing. Elite soccer includes many of the features of its Super NES big brother including 24 international teams, formation selections, attack strategies, and substitutions. You can challenge the computer to a single match, league schedule or a full, World Cup-type tournament. You can also practice your shootout skills in a one-on-one match. You can set your time duration, wind speed, weather conditions, and the size of your goalie's hands, which effects your defensive skill. Where this game falls short of its 16-bit counterpart is in the speed and flash. The speed seems slow. The flash, as in excitement generated by the game, is fairly low.





- 24 International teams. Good options. Password save feature for tournament play. Player strengths in nine categories.
- Poor use of Super Game Boy technology. No specialty border Play and animation seems too slow

WORLD CUP U.S.A. 194

 Company
 U.S. Gold

 Suggested Refail Price
 Nof Available

 Release Date
 August 1994

 Memory Size
 I Megabit

 Game Type
 Soccer for one or two players

The official World Cup soccer game for Game Boy doesn't use Super Game Boy palettes, sound or borders, but it does include Striker—the official mascot of the 1994 World Cup. It also includes the international field of contestants that are vying for the title. The view of the pitch is from straight overhead looking down at the players. Basically you see players' heads, shoulders, and the occasional leg during a kick. If you want a quick play, you can choose the shootout option. The highlight of the game is the official World Cup schedule that allows players to simulate the entire tournament right down to the eight arenas around the country. On field, the play includes officiating windows to

let you know what penalties you've committed. When all is said and done, this Game Boy version has virtually none of the soccer look and feel that you'll find in the Super NES version. In fact, the only thing the two games share is Striker, who is, ironically, a dog.





Two-player, Game Link option.

View of the play field is limited to such a small area that effective passing or setting up plays is impossible. Pour use of icons in the menu system Unrealistic graphics, like a ball that is simply a black of Unrealistic play and animation speed—the players move too slowly, then too fast, while the ball often shoots across the screen like a builder.

SUPER NES TITLE	COMPANY	PLAY	G PO	WER ME	TER RATE	MGS	GAME TYPE
AN AMERICAN TAIL: FIEVEL GOES WEST	HUDSON SOFT	1P	3.8	3.5	3.3	3.3	CARTOON ACTION
THE DEATH AND RETURN OF SUPERMAN	SUNSOFT	1P	3.9	3.8	3.4	3.5	COMIC ACTION
FIGHTER'S HISTORY	DATA EAST	2P-S	3.3	3.6	2.9	2.8	FIGHTING
IMPOSSIBLE MISSION 2025	MICROPROSE	1P/PASS	3.8	3.0	2.8	3.3	
JAMMIT!	VIRGIN GAMES	2P-S/PASS	3.4	3.0	2.6	3.0	
KING OF THE MONSTERS 2	TAKARA	2P-S	3.4	2.9	3.3	2.9	FIGHTING
LORD OF THE RINGS, VOL. 1	INTERPLAY	3P-S/PASS	3.2	2.7	3.1	3.3	ADVENTURE
OPERATION THUNDERBOLT	TAITO	2P-S	2.9	3.1	2.9	2.8	SHOOTER
RANMA 1/2 2: ANYTHING GOES	TOHO	2P-S	3.8	3.7	2.9	3.1	FIGHTING
SONIC BLASTMAN 2	TAITO	2P-S			3.1	3.1	COMIC ACTION
SPEED RACER	ACCOLADE	1P	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.1	RACING / ACTION
STUNT RACE FX	NINTENDO	2P-S/BATT	4.4				

GAME BOY TITLE	COMPANY	PLAY	G PO	WER ME	TER RAT	MGS T	GAME TYPE
COOL SPOT	VIRGIN GAMES	1P	3.5	3.1	3.2	3.2	ACTION
ELITE SOCCER	GAMETEK	1P/PASS	2.8	3.1	2.7	2.7	SOCCER
ITCHY AND SCRATCHY IN MINIATURE GOLF MADNESS	ACCLAIM	1P	2.9	2.7	2.7	3.4	ACTION / GOLF
ROBOCOP VS. THE TERMINATOR	INTERPLAY	1P	3.3	2.9	2.7	3.2	ACTION
WORLD CUP U.S.A. '94	U.S. GOLD	2P-S/PASS	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.9	SOCCER

MES TITLE	COMPANY	INFO	POWER METER RATINGS	GAME TYPE
DISNEY'S BEAUTY AND THE BEAST	HUDSON SOFT	1P	3.5 2.5 3.0 2.0	ACTION

CHART KEY PLA

You can get the most out of your game chart by understanding the categories. Title, Company and game type are self explanatory. Use this Key to understand Play info and the valuable Power Meter ratings.

PLAY INFO

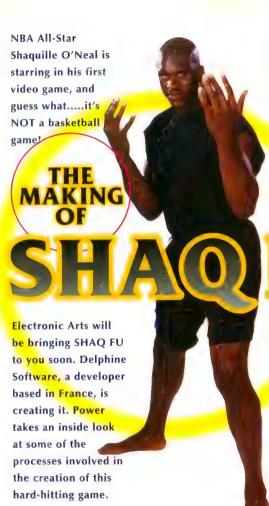
Games are made to be played with as many as eight players. Some also employ a battery or password to save game play data.

#P = NUMBER OF PLAYERS
S = SIMULTANEOUS
A = ALTERNATING
BATT = BATTERY
PASS = PASSWORD

POWER METER

The Pros at Nintendo HQ rate each new game. Ratings are from 1 (poor) to 5 (excellent) in four different categories.

G=GRAPHICS AND SOUND
P=PLAY CONTROL
C=CHALLENGE
T=THEME AND FUN



When he walks onto the baskethalf court, or anywhere else for that matter, people take notice. He's hard to miss! Standing over seven feet tall and weighing in at 303 pounds. Shaqutile O'Neal is a seriously intimidating presence. In his first years as an NBA player, he's racked up some impressive statistics and has helped his team, the Orlando Magic, make it into the NBA Playoffs. He's been compared to such NBA greats as Wilt Chamberlain and Bill Russell, as well as modern-day pro hoop superstars like Hakeem Olajuwon and Patrick Ewing. We could rave on and on about Shaq's skills and awesome basketball prowess, but we'll leave that kind of stuff to Sports

FU

Illustrated. In the context of this article, we can now compare Shao to the likes of Sagat, Guile, Johnny Cage, Terry Bogard, Bad Mr. Frosty and other powerhouse street fighters. Now there's a topic we can sink our teeth into! Luckily, Nintendo Power managed to obtain access to an early version of SHAQ FU. Even in the unfinished version as we saw it, the game showed promise. Knowing that Delphine Software, makers of Flashback and Out of This World, was programming it and Electronic Arts was marketing the game, we figured that a "Making Of" article would certainly be in order. It turns out that Shaq himself has committed quite a bit of time and effort to make this game a winner!

THE MAKING OF CHANG

BEHIND THE STORY LINE



WHY NOT MAKEA BASKETBALL GAME?

BUEL MODE

It's a fact that Shaq likes to play video games. One trip to his home will confirm that. He's got his own collection of arcade games including Mortal Kombat And as we are all aware. Shaq likes to play basketball. So what's the scoop? Why are we seeing a fighting game coming from a company that is most famous for its sports games? For an answer to this perplexing question, we went straight to Greg Suarez, an associate producer at Electronic Arts, Suarez told Nintendo Power that the person most directly responsible for putting Shaq into a fighting game is Don Trager. Trager is a VP at Electronic Arts and is also serving as the executive producer of SHAO FU. He believes that Shaq is a character who can transcend his "normal" persona. You'll have to admit that the idea of a sports superstar fighting against otherworldly beings is at the least, intriguing.

SHAO FU's story line goes something like this: Shaq is playing in a charity basketball tournament in Tokyo. He sneaks away from the crowds to go for a walk. Turning down an alleyway. he comes across a martial arts store and, being the martial arts fan that he is, decides to go inside for a look

around. An old man confronts him and through some turn of events and twists in the conversation, the old man comes to



The story line of the game is unravelled as Shaq successfully defeats the paponents who great him in the Second World

believe that Shaq has arrived to fulfill a legendary prophecy. The Second World greets Shaq when he enters a mysterious doorway. Shaq finds himself thrown into predicaments that he must fight his way out of, More of the story line is revealed to the player as Shaq defeats each of his opponents. Suarez also told



Shag's goal is to locate and rescue a kidnapped child. He has to gen his information hard way. He'll fight for it?



Nintendo Power that there may be some secret characters built into the game. We hope so! Secret and hidden stuff goes a long way to keep a game interesting. Just look at what it did for NBA JAM!



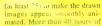
One of the most interesting things about how SHAO FU was taken from the drawing board to the video screen is its

use of rotoscoping. Delphine

Software didn't invent the

image-capturing technique, but according Suarez. "evolved the process" and have developed a tool that allows them to transfer, image by image. video sequences to computer graphics. Rotoscoping was actually invented by Walt Disney in the 1930s. In a nut-

shell, it involves filming a subject, human or otherwise, and then redrawing that subject using enough frames per second





video was shot to capture all of the moves that the characters in the game make, but in the end, only a few minutes of video were incorporated into the game. Each fighter has about 50 different moves. Creating those moves called for some martial



More than 7000 animations were used to create all of the moves!

arts specialists. Rémy Julienne and his team of veteran stuntpersons were called into the studio to execute the moves that Auroch, Kaori, Mephis, Vaudou Oueen, Nezu, Beast and the other fighters will execute in the game. Julienne is very famous in Europe for his stunt work in the motion picture industry, but

this was the first time that he had been called upon to lend a hand for a video game. Real-life, 3-D movements were captured infra-red Actisystem video cameras.



Acti-system cameras and blue screens o place. gh the fighting motions at you'll see in the game



THE MAKING OF SUAO FILE

The images were then fed into Delphine's Silicon Graphics Indigo and Indigo 2 workstations to be detailed and compiled into the animated images that you will see in the game. Silicon Graphics computers are state-of-the-art, especially when talking about the manipulation of graphics. This is one of the major points that sets SHAQ FU apart from the rest.



the game play. In the version of the game that we played, the X Button caused your fighter to make a motion as if he were saying "Bring it on!" Suarez went on to comment that "Satisfying Shaq fans as well

Most of the elements of SHAQ FU are now in place. Perhaps the most difficult part of the creative process is taking place right now. Balancing and refining all of the moves and attacks for each of the fighters is a time-intensive task that requires many hours of programming adjustments

and play testing. Shad has been involved every step of the way. His enthusiasm for the game. combined with Electronic Arts' eagerness to promote the title. are what has allowed the project to come into being. But without the technical expertise that Delphine Software provided, the game would be just another basic street fighting game, Greg Suarez noted that, "Shaq helped develop the characters and the story line. He was really involved. The taunts are mostly Shaq's. He even helped with the music." Taunting, or daring your opponent to attack, is integral to



as fighting game fans is a high priority with this project." Electronic Arts is also planning more games featuring Shaq. Who knows—maybe we'll even see a Shaq basketball game' That would be novel.

WHEN IT'S

have SHAQ FU on your





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THE ROSE WITHERS

Once upon a time, a selfish young prince turned away an old woman in need of shelter. The woman, who was in fact an enchantress, cast a spell on the prince, turning him into a frightful beast. He was destined to remain a beast until he could find someone who would love him as he was.



THE BEAST

The Beast can jump from ledge to ledge and punch to attack enemies. He can also let loose a fierce roar that will stun any enemies in the immediate area.



THE CREW





Some of the Beast's former friends appear in active roles in this version. Lumiere lights his way through darkened chambers, and portly Mrs. Potts supplies ammunition for him to use against enemies.

THE DRAMA

Before the enchantress departs. she leaves behind one fresh rose. The Beast must find true love before the bloom fades. Finding rose petals keeps it fresh.



LEVEL I PALACE HALLS

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

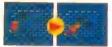
The Beast begins by searching the palace halls. We've shown only points of particular interest on the maps below. The wavy lines indicate that there is more to the map that's not shown.



BLEVEL 1 MAP 1

Bats are sometimes difficult to see, especially if the background is dark

Either punch them with your fist or roar to freeze them in place so you can safely pass



THE RIGHT WAY

To find the stairs that lead to the exit door, you must find the passageway in the lower right. Before you climb up, explore the entire area to find the Hearts and Petals There are Hearts on the final sets of stairs, too. Pick them up on your way to the exit.



LUMIERE LIGHTS THE WAY

In the darkened hallways near the exit, you'll have to wait for Lumiere to light the way. If you hurry on ahead, you'll meet up with enemies that you won't be able to see until Lumiere catches up with you. To exit go to the door on the left



LEVEL 1 MAP 1

PLEVEL 1 MAP 2

GARGOYLESI ows Banking of brieke quickly before

they have the

E CURTAINS

You can climb the curtains to reach the upper levels. Try immoring and climbing up the ones that



to dive at you

don't reach all the way to the floor. They're the ones that will take you up.

man before you can ammunition that Mrs. Potts gives you to



LEVEL 2 THE FOREST

On your way to the frosty Forest region, you'll have to pass through a twisting, turning cave that's filled with rabid bats and razor-sharp spikes. To find the exit, look for a dark tunnel rather than the wooden doors you saw in the Palace areas.



When you come to a dead end, climb the ledges that lead up towards the top of the cave, then work your way to the right. Instead of jumping over to the last ledge, drop through the final opening and hold Right on the Control Pad.

You'll land on a lower ledge. Continue to the right, jumping over the spikes, until you come to the tunnel that is the exit. Your next stop is the Forest,





MAP 2

B HANG TIME

You'll have to make some extra long jumps as you work your way through the Forest. Take off as late as possible, make fingertip grabs and pull yourself up onto distant platforms. Timing is critical.



Stand on the edge until you

Jump to the right, from ledge to ledge see the end of a log.

The ledges disappear quickly, so keep moving

Grab the tedge on the ngh with your fingertips.

WINTER WONDERS

ILEVEL 2 MAP 3



leave yourself some extra space. If you fall, vou'll he finished.









LEVEL 3 THE LIBRARY

Level 3 begins outdoors with a snowball fight but continues in the palace Library. Don't count on being able to do any reading when you get there, though; the books leave the shelves only when they want to.

FIGHT

Belle tosses snowballs faster and faster all the time, and you have to catch them. If you miss three, you'll have to start over.



HIT THE BOOKS

The palace Library gives a whole new meaning to "hitting the books." Watch out for evil volumes that crawl and fly at you.



the top shelf, a Gargoyle will fly in from the window to attack you. Run all the way to and punch to the right





LEVEL 4 UP ON THE ROOF

In Level 4, the Beast climbs the outer wall of the palace to reach the rooftops. Scaling the wall takes some clever maneuvering and skillful jumping.



STORMY SKIFS Inclement weather makes the

climb even more treacherous. If you stand near the transformer you'll be struck by lightning.





LEAP OF FAITH

Make a blind jump here from the very edge of the ledge at the last moment. Grab the next ledge by your fingertips.







GASTON

After charging through the townspeople, you'll scale the wall with Gaston in hot pur-suit. Work your way back and forth up the wall while avoidlong enough to get off shots of your own

When you reach the reef, the fight with Gasten will begin in serneet













Spot's challenge in Stage One is to dance through the dunes in search of 30 Cool Discs. Be especially aware of herds of Hermit Crabs hiding in the holes. As soon as you have the 30 discs in hand, shoot the Cage at the end of the level to rescue your cool companion and move on to Stage Two.



HIDDEN POINTS

There should be a cache of Cool Discs concealed near the Lawn Chair. Check it out carefully.



Earn an energy-restoring 7-Up by beating some of the beasts at the beginning of the stage.



COOL SPOT

SPOT

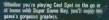
With the excellent extra featores available only on the Super Game Boy, you get to choose from the coolest collection of colors and backgrounds imaginable! Go for some of your own humorously hip and happening bues, or enter the password 2421-9219-9243 in the convenunt Color Palette password screen to try the traditional 7-Up Spot colors of roll white green

SAME AS

Whether you're a new dude to the Cool Spot collection or an old pro from the Super NES version, you may bud it haloful to your hour may third it hallful to your down some maps. Because the Game Boy version is almost exactly the same a Suni-NES predecessor, you can look in Volume 33 of Nintendo Power for maps to the first five levels. Don't be amprised thousand they're in a different order







A DAY AT THE BEACH

hat's up? 7-Not That silly ?-Up commercial star, Cool Spot.

is back and better than ever in

stimning new Game Boy ver-

mon of the original Cool Spot adventure from Virgin. There are several captured Spots still be saved, and it's up to you to be courageous, and save the

day-stay cool, Spot!

The search for those coveted Cool Spots can take you into overtime. Pick up a handy Alarm Clock to supplement your timer with some spare seconds and keep searching for Spots!

The abundance of vine-like Balloon strings may cause Cool Spot to think he's jungle jumping rather than spending a sunny afternoon on the beach. With a bit

of practice, Spot will see that these swingable strings are a worthwhile way to travel.





PIER

Stage Two, Pier Pressure, is a harrowing hangout for all sorts of cutthroat creatures. You'll find crafty Crabs and frightening Fish Heads sthwarting your efforts on the wharf. There are many harmful bazards in this haunt that one must watch out for, like sharp Hooks and tricky Traps. Spot has really got to learn the ropes quickly for success in this stage.

NO WATER FOR ME

Even when Cool Spot is at his thirstiest, water is a big no-no. It's only the Un-Cola for him, and that goes for swimming, as well! One must be especially careful in the Pier Pressure stage not to take a long walk off a short pier, or poor Spot will be no more.



INCH WORMS

These inconvenient little Inch Worms won't be measuring any marigolds around here—they see Spot and they want

him! Luckily, Spot can jump and shoot to





remove them from the Ropes prior to climbing on.

EW)

Off The Wall actually takes place in the wall, and that is not the coolest place to be. It's dark and creepy, and the Spiders and Mice that live there are not exactly gracious hosts to a happy-go-lucky Spot. What makes this level even more difficult than the previous ones is that it is a much more complicated maze. Even when you collect enough Spots, chances are you'll spend quite a bit of time looking for the Cage.

BARBED WIRE

Barbed Wire is one of those things that you just can't get away from in Off The Wall—it pops up everywhere! As with real Barbed Wire, Cool Spot is better off staying far away from it until he



sports better on staying far away from the first able to leap over a piece in a single bound. Keep in mind that you can often shoot enemies through obstacles, thus clearing the way in advance.

I HATE MEECES TO PIECE

These little Mice are so quick that you won't have a chance to get them once you land on the platform. Try to dispose of them while you're hanging on a Rope.





Goooh these roly-poly Fish Heads want to spit some toxic goo at you, so watch out! They are rather difficult to defeat, It's easier in the end to avoid them altogether.



RESTART FLAGS

The pressure's off, or at least lessened a bit as there are four Restart Flags located throughout Pier Pressure. If you lose your life, you'll start at the last Flag you passed.





A crew of crabby Crabs seem to have taken over the Pier. Try shooting them from above to avoid their clicking claws.





They may look like little trampolines, but these spring-loaded Spot traps are very uncool for our Cool Spot, so it's best to stay far away. If your jumping skills are up to par, you may be able to successfully negotiate your way over them.

These little buggers are waiting on top of the beams for an unsuspecting Spot. As soon as you come near, they will drop down on a string of silk and give you a surprise.



BONUS

To complete a level and save your fellow Spot from a tight spot, collect the amount of Spots specified in the beginning. Collect at least 75% of that number in the Easy mode to go to the Bonus Round.



Spending extra time Spot search ing may pay off in the end



The Bonus Round contains extra cool items to help you through the upcoming Stages.



COOL SPOT







UPS-A-PLE

Passing on 1-Lips now could prove to be a fatal flaw in your plan Collect as many as you can, as the light at the end of the tunnel isn't in sight yet.



For an extra boost, step in the chute and shoot up, up and away! You can then make your way back down and collect valuable items as you go.



Because you are often hopping blindly from Lily Pad to Lily Pad, it's best to shoot down as you're landing to clear the Pad of any unfriendly inhabitants. If you don't, you could have a dangerous dance with a frightening Frog.



UFOs can be both cool and useful! Hop on a UFO and use it as a step to get to those hard-to-reach spots. You can't stay on too long, though, or you'll slip right off when it







BONUS

The Bonus Round after the Fourth and Fifth Stages are bountiful with a bonanza of beautiful Power-Up Items, Besides the extra Spots, 7-Ups. Clocks and 1-Ups you've seen before in the Bonus Rounds, there is an extra special Item in this one. Find the Letter for a chance at an extra



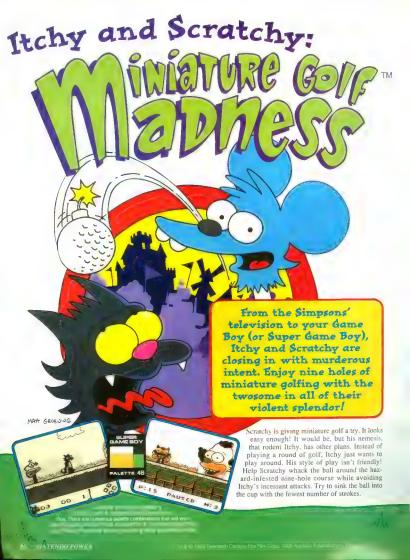
Continue just one more way to ensure a safe passage to the end of the game.

WHAT'S LEFT?

The remainder of Cool Spot's journey through Spot Land will be determined by your finely tuned finger skills and commitment to saving your fellow Spots Try completing the game in







MINIATURE GOLF MADNESS

SAWED OFF!!

Itchy is a master when it comes to utilizing

various implements of Scratchy's destruction.

Many times has the playful mouse "buried the hatchet" with his feline counterpart and vice versa. Luckily, the "nine lives" rule doesn't apply here—Itchy and

Scratchy are only cartoon characters.
They don't really die.



AXE TO GRIND

The first Itchys that Scratchy comes across wield Axes. They hesitate, then charge at Scratchy Your hack timing is critical.



USE THE

Club equipped ltchys are pretty fast. Watch out for them when going up or down inclines. Jump and avoid them if you have to



CHAIN SAW

Scratchy will get sawed in two if Itchy gets too close with the Chain Saw It's not a pretty sight! Things couldn't be worse



BAZOOKA

tchy is armed and ready for big game with this Bazooka However, he can't fire it quickly Move in fast to diserm the rodent.



Itchys won't always appear from the sides Sometimes they'll drop down right in front of you. Nail them before they land



He throws one low, then he throws one high. Move in for the kill when ltchy throws one of the high Daggers. Jump the low ones.



Wart for a pause in the blast of flames before moving in to do away with this menacing ltchy. Jump over him if necessary.



MATE GROENING

PICK

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SCRATCHY TRIKES BACK

Not to be upstaged in the war of gore, Scratchy has several tricks up his furry sleeve! Pick up weapons while golfing



ERASER

Finding and snagging this Item will erase one stroke from your score. It's a nice little bonus, but doesn't help you with your Itchy problem



SCRATCHY

A miniature Scratchy regresents yet another life that Scratchy can lose in this whecked-out game of miniature golf. Most are hidden well.



B-BALL BAT

Scratchy will be awarded six swings of the mighty Baseball Bat when he picks up this Item. Don't waste them by taking practice swings!



MALLET

Remember what happens when Mano grabs a hammer in Donkey Kong? That's exactly what happens when Scratchy grabs this particular Mailet.



BOMBS

A Bomb will explode when it hits litchy, but if it doesn't hit him, it will roll around for several seconds before it explodes. Watch out!



FLYING DISC

Scratchy gets to fing six flying Discs at his rodent nemesis after he picks up one of these Items. They are effective at very long range.



BOOMERANG

If you don't hail an Itchy when you throw a Boomerang, you may be able to score a kill when it makes its return trip. You can get it back.



GRENADES

Grenades are effective rodent exterminators Like Bombs, Grenades will take out an litchy if they explode when he's in the general vicinity



doesn't present many dangers, especially from Itchy. Once you get the feel for how he charges at you, Itchy

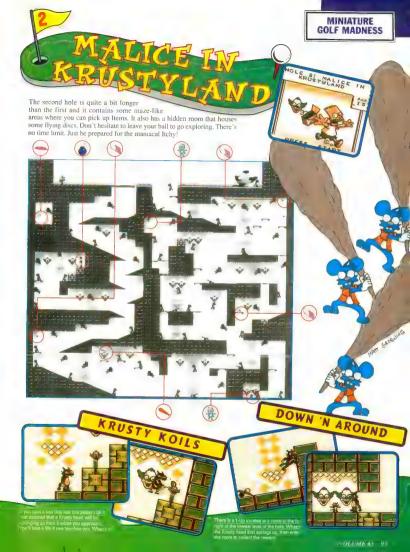
will be as good as burnt toast. Actually getting the ball into the hole presents the greatest challenge. There are two very easy I-Ups to be had here-don't pass them up.



Don't drive the ball off the tee until you jump up and to the left through the tree to get a hidden 1-Up. There's no better way to start off your round)











interplay's latest Game Boy offering, RoboCop vs. The Terminator, is set in the Detroit of the future, where the worlds of the two superheroes have merged into a single reality. Although based on the comics of the same name, the single-player game is a planfarm shoot-brunep in which The Terminator makes only brief appearances.

LEVEL 1 DETROI

In future Detroit, the electronic defense system known as Skynet decides that man is the enemy. The machine-gone-mad creates a race

of mutant robots to destroy what remains of the fallible human race. Skynet realizes that Robo-Cop, the only successful hybrid of man and machine, is a threat to its very existence and sends humanoids back in time to destroy him. In the meantime, RoboCop plans to regenerate himself in the future with the sole purpose of



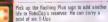
rescuing mankind by eliminating Skynet. His quest for victory starts on the streets of Detroit.





Pick one up to increase the length of ReboCop's Health Bar

This symbol represents a weapon Power-Up. RoboCop begins with a Pistol, which he can upgrade to a Spreader Gun.







METAL MAN MOVES

ROBOCOP VS.
THE TERMINATOR

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SNIPERS

Snipers lie in wait on the rooftops. Stay just out of their lines of fire, press Up on the Control Pad and shoot.



PREMARIEDE

A grenade tosser and a Sniper await. Stay out of grenade range, take out the Sniper, then concentrate on the Grenadier



STREET PUNKS

Kneel to avoid the Punks' fire, but then move quickly forward to keep a steady stream of the bad boys from emerging.



LADDER LEAD

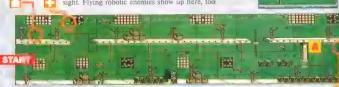
You won't be able to reach the ladder. Go to the right, grab the pipe overhead, cross back to the left by using the pipe, then leap to the ladder.



LEVEL 2 THE OCP COMPLEX

Omni Consumer Products (OCP) uses many robots in its warehouse, and they're all on the lookout for RoboCop. They have orders to shoot on sight. Flying robotic enemies show up here, too.







You can't jump high enough to reach the platforms overhead, but you can reach them by bouncing off the robot parts that drop onto the conveyor.



There are robots and two Lasers here. Blast the Lasers before they strike you with beams, then fire at the robots.

LEVEL 3 HE COMPUTER CENTER

RoboCop plans to transport himself forward in time in order to destroy Skynet and save mankind. To do so, he must battle his way through the Computer Center to the Time Transporter at its end. The Computer





Center scrolls sideways and is a single screen high.

Kneel behind the desk to stay out of the line of fire, then squeeze of one round to get rid of the pesky enemies in the office area



while it's off: kneet when it comes on.

LEVEL 4 **FUTURE LOS ANGELES**

When RoboCop transports himself to the future, he can see the devastation that the Skynet has already caused Unless he can destroy the system and reverse the damage, the future looks bleak, indeed. Los Angeles, in the unaltered future, is a desolate place populated with skeletal robots and threatened by ominous, toxic clouds.



The electronic enemies of the fut much more difficult to defeat.



The huge Hovercraft fires from three points Attack when it floats down beside you

ROBOCOP VS. THE TERMINATOR





THE TERMINATOR

You'll come face-to-face with The Terminator at the end of Level 2. He's waiting on the platform in the upper right. Position yourself beneath the platform and fire to



THE ACCESS CORRIDOR

The Access Corridor is the first vertically-scrolling stage, and it's much more complex than the ones that came before. You'll meet some tough, new robotic enemies in this area.

ROBOTS

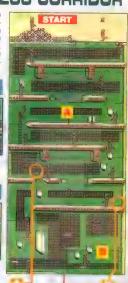


Descrivate the robot on the right by hitting it once, then attack the one on the left.

BEAM OFF



Jump from the platform to strike the generator on the wall and turn off the electric beam.





MAN OR MACHINE?

Ahead lies the most difficult part of RoboCop's quest. He must fight his way through two more levels to reach the Skynet Computer. Man or Machine? Only one will prevail.

Please answer the following questions on the postcard provided below, then enter our Player's Poll Contest by sending it in! A. Please indicate, in order of preference, your five favorite Super NES games. B. Please indicate, in order of preference, your five favorite Game Boy games. C. Please indicate, in order of preference, your five favorite NES games. D. How old are you? P. What is the most important quality for a female hero? 1. Under 8 3.12-14 5 18,94 1 Courage 2.6-11 4, 15-17 6. 25 or older 2 Good looks E. Sex 3. Athletic ability 1 Male 2. Female 4. Intelligence Rate the following female heroes from 1 to 5 5. Honesty -5 being the best F. Nancy Kerrigan K. One of your teachers O How would you like to spend the day with your favorité hero? G. Manah Carev Janet Jackson 1. Playing video games H. Your Mom M Samus Aran 2. Playing your favorite sport X-Man Roque N. Rosa Parks 3 Helping with your hero's job J First Lady Hillary Rodham C nton 4 Hanging out with friends 0. Power Ranger, Trini 5 Working toward saving the environment Trivia Question: What is the name of Superman's secret identity? Answers to the Player's Poll - Volume 63 Name Tel Address State/Prov City___ Zip/Postal Membership Number A. Indicate numbers from 1-107 (from the list on the back of the card) 1. 2

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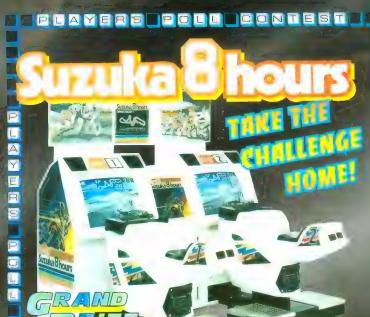
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PLAYERS POLL CONTEST





he scores that we receive each month are great, but unfortunately, some of the entries didn't include the system in the photo. Send us your greatest video game achievements so we can show the world!

CHALLENGE

CYBERNATOR

What is your best score at the end of the game?



DUCK TALES -

How much money can you collect?



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ROAD RUNNER'S DEATH VALLEY BALLY

What is your best score at the end of the game?



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LIBERTY OR DEATH

How many years does it take you



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BASEBALL

How many runs can you score in a 1-player game?



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CLAYMATES

What is your best score in this wacky adventure?



Find as many of the secret aleas as vau

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The top 25 players that best meet the monthly challenge will be awarded 4 Super Power Stamps for use towards the purchase of Super Power Supplies. Send all eligible entries to the address at right. The entries must include a photograph of the completed challenge (which includes the system in the photo) labeled with the name, address and Membership Number of the player. All entries must be received by September 16, 1994. Winners will be printed in a future issue of Nintendo Power and will be notified by mail. All scores printed are decided by the Nintendo Power Staff, All decisions are final,

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How many home runs can you hit in a full 162-game season?



Dig in and swing for the

challenge

POWER PLAYERS

NBA JAM

Most three-point shots in a	game
Mati Petlinski	117
Randolph, NJ	
Serjan Markari	109
Glendale. CA	
Louis Rizzuto	108
Wyomissing Hills, PA	
Paul Matchette	103
Lilburn, GA	
Jason Diaz	101
Amarillo, TX	
Sam Miller	101
Lexington, MI	
Steve Stojanovich	100
Derby, NY	
Shaun Moorehead	92
Oakville, ON	
Andrew Cantore	87
Chicago, IL	
Jon Boothe	86

SUPER BLACK BASS

Biggest fish caught.

Ogden, UT

James White Elkhart, IN	271bs 0oz
Douglas Schultz Urania, LA	26lbs 9oz
Jeremy Carter Hillsboro, OH	26lbs 6oz
Willy Meyer Roselle Park, NJ	26lbs Loz
Christian Simic Jeanette, PA	26lbs 0oz

SUPER STAR WARS

Highest Scores.	
Josh Lytle Bellevue, WA	3,090,90
Jeff Johnson Brooklyn, NY	1.567,60
Brook Larkin Addison, IL	571,400
Andre Lamarre Lorraine, PO	347,950
Andrew Gates Indialantic, FL	329,400

R.C. PRO-AM

Highest Scores.	
Jerry Flach Lutz, FL	999,92
R. Powell San Diego, CA	600,545
Robbie Stevens Paterson, NJ	503,370
Rick Conklin Pine Bush, NY	258,617

TINY TOON ADVENTURES BUSTER BUSTS LOOSE

Completed the game on the Hard Level.

Tim Woolley	Finished
Jacksonville, NC	
Alex Batista	Finished
Trujillo Alto, PR	
Eric Hacecky	Finished
APO, AE	
Marius Vartolomei	Finished
St-Laurent DO	

SUPER MARIO KART

Best time on the Rainbow Road.

Randy Rogers Orlando, Fl	1:35:20
Mark Riley	1:36:34
Powell River, BC	
Luke Sparks	1:36:69
Champaign, IL	
Brian Weller	1:37:64
Burlington, KY	
Graham Lawerence	1:39:26
Hampton, NB	
Joseph Jedlicka	1:39:61
Calgary, AB	

NHL STANLEY CUP

Widest margin of victory.

Ron Paratore Mount Laurel, NJ	31-00
Haven Sherrill	30-00
Brandon, FL	
Paul Mestemaker	25-00
North Marshall, MI	
Mike Riccio	25-00
Stickney, IL	
Julianna Ceimer	23-00
Ventura, CA	
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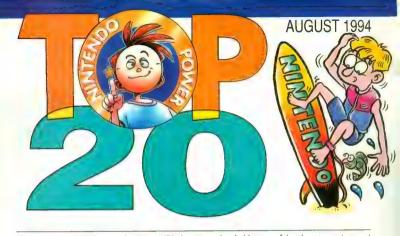
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This month's top two spots on the Super NES chart were decided by one of the closest margins everl Only 201 points separate Super Metroid and NBA Jam. With two great games like these, it's hard to decide which is the best.

SUPER NES



SUPER METROID



Samus has made the jump to the top spot on the Top 20 charts! It isn't too hard to believe if you've played Super Metroid.



NBA JAM



The slammin' action of 11 4,164 NBA Jam has slipped down to second spot, but only by

6 MONTHS

KEN GRIFFEY JR. PRESEN



Swing for the upper deck, 15 2,696 steal home, or throw a nohitter. This game has got it







doesn't seem so bad

The mighty Goro when you hit him with 20,2,322 a foot sweep.

MEGA MAN X 6 6,735 POINTS

STREET FIGHTER II TURBO SUPER MARIO KART

DISNEY'S ALADDIN

10 4410 SECRET OF MANA SUPER MARIO ALL-STARS

12 3,296 POINTS STAR FOX

13 3,268 POINTS STUNT RACE FX

FINAL FANTASY II

SUPER STREET FIGHTER II

MARIO PAINT SIMCITY

NHL HOCKEY '94

P.T.O. JURASSIC PARK

GAME BOY



WARIO LAND: SUPER MARIO



Mario's evil counterpart is making it big with his new game. There's no stopping Wario now!

6 10,548 POINTS TETRIS MORTAL KOMBAT

KIRBY'S PINBALL LAND

TETRIS 2

SUPER MARIO LAND

DONKEY KONG 11 6,069 POINTS

12 4,440 POINTS HIRASSIC PARK

13 4,189 POINTS DR. MARIO

14 3,977 POINTS FACEBALL 2000 15 3,835 POINT FINAL FANTASY LEGEND III

16 3,707 POINTS TMNT: FALL OF THE FOOT CLAN

17 3,405 POINTS FINAL FANTASY LEGEND II

18 3,016 POINTS MEGA MAN IV

19 2,754 POINTS GOLF

20 2,679 **NBA CHALLENGE 2**

17,920 **POINTS** 16 MONTHS

13,763

POINTS

a battle for Mario's cas-

tle. Things are getting

tough for our hero.

THE LEGEND OF ZELI



Once Link begins a new quest, players have trouble putting the game down.

19 MONTHS It's Mario vs. Wario in

POINTS

KIRBY'S DREAM LAND

POINTS

King Dedede has stolen the Dream Wand and only Kirby can get it back!

With the release of Super Metroid, Samus' second 10.706 adventure is heading back up the charts.



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POINTS

MONTHS

THE LEGEND OF ZELDA



The Players still pick The Legend of Zelda as their favorite game. Wonder



one There's not too many common pipes to fix, but there's plenty of work for our favorite plumber.







METROID Samus takes on the Mother Brain in the



The blocks keep falling so the Players keep playing this great game.

DR. MARIO

KIRBY'S ADVENTURE NES OPEN TOURNAMENT GOLF

TETRIS

FINAL FANTASY

ZELDA II: THE ADVENTURE OF LINK TMNT III: THE MANHATTAN PROJECT

BATTLETOADS

ZODA'S REVENGE: STAR TROPICS IT

15 4,551 POINTS RASFRALL STARS 16 4,215 POINTS TECMO SUPER BOWL

DRAGON WARRIOR IV

SUPER MARIO BROS. 2 18 3,792 POINTS

19 3,688 POINTS MS. PAC-MAN JURASSIC PARK 20 3,553 POINTS



A LOOK INTO THE GAMES OF THE FUTURE

AK WATCH



You may recognize the name, but the game will astound you just as it did us and everyone else who has seen, heard and played it. Nintendo's Donkey Kong Country for the Super NES launches a new era of super programming that will feature games far in advance of anything you've ever seen on any video game system, and it accomplishes all this on your Super NES. Sure, it sounds like so much hype...that is until you check it out for yourself. Out of more than a thousand games this Pak Watcher has seen over the years, this 800 pound.

32 Megabit ape out-powers them all. Some people were talking about the decline of 16-bit game systems, but DK Country corked that pretty fast. The 3-D graphics and animation in this Super Mario World-sized action game are so good that it puts to shame the other high-end video game systems.

Naturally, inquiring minds have been asking your Pak Prof, how is all this possible? Well, it isn't simple. The brain trust at Rare in the U.K. worked with Nintendo to create what is undoubtedly one of the most sophisticated development studios in the world. Utilizing millions of dollars worth of Silicon Graphics Workstations, the programmers were able to create staggeringly realistic 3-D animations. Once you've created the computer animations. it's a much smaller step—like that moon walk thing—to adapt them for use in the Super NES. Next month, we'll take a look at the making of Donkey Kong Country.

Okay, you're thinking, so it looks like a billion, but what about the play? The play's the thing, right?













PAK WATCH

Here it is in a barrel: you've got DK and Diddy, his chimpish pal, loping, running, rolling, swimming, climbing, jumping, riding, stomping, scratching, high-fiving, barrel blasting and grinning like apes as they ride the rails toward imminent disaster. Let's set the scene. You've got snow, you've got jungle, you've got coral reefs, deep caverns, more jungle, cliffs, tunnels, sunsets, night, day, and more bananas than Chiquita. You'll also run into a mob of wild creatures, but some of them are your pals, like a rhino and an a ostrich. So what's the bottom line from Pak Watch? DK rules the ungle Believe it.



MORTAL KOMBAT II

ACCUAIM

What's the score on MKII Players 1, Critics 0. Not everyone is going to like this, but the players (and let's face it, that's who counts) are going to eat it up like fries. The Super NES Mortal Kombat II has it all. All the moves! Fatality, Bubulity, Friendship, And all the characters. They're all here, and they look awesome. Inside rumors have it that Sculptured Software and

Acclaim have hidden tons of special moves, characters and surprises in the game, making it even more exciting than the arcade version. As most of you already know from having checked out this fighter at the arcade, it's already a much deeper game than the original Mortal Kombat. There's more variety and more challenge. But dangerously realistic? Yeah, like

Pinocchio. The digital graphics look awesome, and drop for drop the Super NES version finishes the Genesis with a flawless performance. But the content of MKI is pure fantasy. Anyone who thinks you'll need a mop to clean up after it is seriously misinformed. This Pak Kombatant thinks America will survive the second coming of MK just fine.













SUPER PUNCH-OUT!!

NINTENDO

Bald Bull is back along with three circuits of knockout areade boxing that will make your head bleed just thinking about it. Fans of the original Punch-Out!! will recognize some of the fighters like Piston Hurricane who was Piston Honda in the NES game, and stars of the coin-op Super Punch-Out!! like Dragon Chan. But many of these fantasy pugilists have appeared straight out of the wonderfully warped imaginations of their programmers Ten new faces include rasta-fighter Bob Charlie, old-timer Gabby Jay, and the ultimate boxer, Mr. Bruiser. In all, you'll have to bat-

tle it out with 16 contenders. The semi-transparent view of your fighter allows better sight of your opponent's moves.

Good play control made the differ-



ence for this Pak Puncher, plus good sound. It's the best Punch-Out!! to date for fans of the arcade and NES classics, and the bell rings for the opening round this October.



EARTHWORM JIM

PLAYMATES

Picture this peaceful scene. You're a simple, segmented earthworm minding your own business when suddenly out of a clear blue sky an alien cybersuit splats down practically on your head. Okay, if you're a worm, you don't have a head. But if you're a curious worm, like Jim, you'll crawl on over and check out the hi-tech duds, and if you do that, suddenly you'll be transformed into a super hero of epic proportions even though you have only one muscle in your

entire body and a serious tack of brain cells That's the story behind Playmate's off-beat comic action game that is due to be released this fall. David Perry, the game's creator, says that Earthworm Jim is different. "He isn't just another woodland creature with an attitude." Jim zaps enemies with a blaster, he bungee jumps, and he saves helpless, wriggling relatives from dining crows throughout the galaxy. A real wormitarian. There's plenty of hard-blasting, worm-whipping action, but there's also a lot of humor in the game. Perry has made his mark with some spectacular graphics masterpieces, but he acknowledges that his other games, like Aladdin, are nowhere near as advanced as Jimbo. Apparently, others agree. EJ may become the TMNT of the second half of the nineties. Already. Earthworm Jim has been signed up for a pilot television run of several episodes.















BUBSY 2

ACCOLADE

That bouncing bobcat with a million ways to get pasted is coming back for an encore in Bubsy 2. Gone are the dorky yarn balls, replaced by shiny marbles, an open game structure, lots of variety including shooting stages and frog hurling, and some excellent comic animation. (Yeah, you read right, frog hurling-small, innocent frogs that you hurl high into the air while they croak in terror. This is the sort of inspired weirdness you might expect from Lucasarts, but apparently Accolade is loosening its corporate necktie.) The plot? Bubsy ventures into the Exploratorium in search of his nephew and niece. Each exhibit actually takes him back in time to a rollicking race through settings such as an ancient Egyptian pyramid, a pirate ship and a medieval castle. (And did I mention that you get to fling frogs?) There are shooting stages, too, like the asteroid dodger shown below, Seriously, Bubsy fans will have a lot to be thankful for come this fall.







THE INCREDIBLE HULK

U.S. GOLD

The dean of mean green is on his way from U.S. Gold. The Hulk, long a favorite comic character, makes his video game debut in an action-thumping side-scroller that portrays the real Hulk more accurately than many of the video versions of super heroes this Pak Watcher has seen. The Hulk. as you probably know, is only the Hulk when he's mad. His rage transforms him from a fairly average guy. In this game, as long as your rage rages, you'll remain a huge, hulking thing. But if your rage drops too far. you'll become David Banner, who is no match for many of the enemies in

the game. Even as Banner, though, you might find a weapon and shoot your way out of a fix. You can also find and consume an anti-rage capsule that transforms you to Banner, the reason for this being that there are



some areas of the game that can only be reached by a smaller character like Dave. If you like bashing stuff and bulldozing through the opposition, The Incredible Hulk, coming in October, is your kind of game.



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■ MEGAMAN ▼

CAPCOM

Super Game Boy makes the latest Megaman look mega-nificent. This Mega Watcher was ready for something new in a Game Boy Megaman game, and this one does the job. Besides the great colors and border treatment, Megaman has a new weapon, the Mega Arm, and a new ally, Tango, the Mega Arm allows you to power up so you can unleash more damage with each shot. As before, you'll collect Pethps and return to Dr. Light's lab to get Power-Ups. The

enemies are robots from outerspace called Stardroids, but the bosses come from such places as Mars, Mercury, Venus and Neptune. The action is up



to the mega standards set with this series, but the Super Game Boy facelift adds a lot of life. Look for this Megaboy early this fall



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MORTAL KOMBAT II

ACCLAIM

In addition to the Super NES Mortal Kombat II. there will also be a Game Boy version featuring most of the same game features including Fatality and Babality moves, plus hidden characters. Although not every move is included in this smaller Pak, each of the characters has three specual attacks, two Fatalities includ-



ing the Spikes, and one Babality move. Shang can morph into any of the other characters, of course, giving him the ability to do any move in the game. This Pak Fodder lost his head several times, but after some practice started picking up the pieces, turning the tables, and knocking some stuffing out of the computer. The



tournament allows for one player action only, which is a bit disappointing. Still, the action is strong, the graphics look sharp and the thrill is to die for. And, although MK II for Game Boy wasn't programmed with the Super Game Boy in mind, it looks great in color.





Play It Loud

Nintendo's domination of the Summer C.E.S. went beyond the debuts noted above. Super Punch-Out!1 is destined to be a classic. The Illusion of Gaia is the best adventure game of the year. The imnovative Uniracers utilizes the same SGI developmental processes as Donkey Kong Country. Tin Star is twisted fun for the Super Scope crowd and Donkey Kong Land for Game Boy uses the same animation as Country. Nintendo also unveiled a new style and image with the Play It Loud campaign.

MANING CAN PREPARE YOU



Acclaim held back nothing in what may well become the ultimate 16-bit fighting game—Mortal Kombat II. Although nobody at Acclaim and Sculptured Software will go on record, for obvious reasons, sources at both companies off-the-record say that the Super NES game is far superior to the competition. Need we say more? How about this. Acclaim has linked up with Nintendo,

agrecing to create an exclusive Ultra 64 game featuring Turok. Other news from Acclaim is the special edition red Game Paks for the initial run of Spider-Man & Venom In Maximum Carnage. Stargate for the Super NES will be based on the fall Hollywood release starring Kurt Russell. Nigel Mansell returns to the Super NES in the two-player Nigel Mansell's Indy Car Racing along with WWF Raw, U.S.H.R.S. Monster Truck Wars, Itchy & Scratchy, Virtual Bart and True Lies, a fall movie starring Arnold Shwartzenegger.



Mortal Kombat II



a worm in

The guys at Shiny Entertainment are probably certifiable. They've been working within worm-crawling distance of the beach in Southern California for months and half of them haven't even seen it yet! But they're also total game fanatics who know what's fun. Earthworm Jim for Playmates is destined for more than a crow's belly and Shiny is destined for greatness.



OUT OF AFRICA

Disney knows how to make a presentation like nobody else. The most spectacular event of the show had to be their lavish introduction of 'The Lion King, complete with African drummers, dancers, a gorgeous Broadway set of the African savanna, a live lion cub, Disney's top executives, Rafiki the baboon, a screening of the movie's opening scenes and footage of the game. The only things Virgin Games didn't get from Mickey's Company were a kiss and season tickets to the Mighty Ducks. Oh, the game looked pretty good, too

The Lion King



MEGA, SUPER, X AND GHOULS

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Even bigger than the news of their not line up of games was Capcom's announcement that they were starting a U.S. development group in their Bay Area office. The group of about 40 designers, artists and programmers will work on titles specifically designed for U.S. players. In the meantime, Capcom is offering Mega Man X2, Demon's Crest, The Great Circus Mystery Starring Mickey & Minnie, Bonkers, Mega Man V for Super Game Boy and maybe even the X-Men by the holidays

it's a wacky, wascally world

Justice League and Superman aside, Sunsoft is concentrating on its Looney Tunes licence for the rest of this year with some of the best with long of the best with long of the show floor along with Hoop It Up, which as sort of Na Jam for varmits Sylvester and Duck Super Game Boy game. It seems that black hole of redevelopment.





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Boy, Contra-The Alien Wars reintro-



Interplay's quality was as dazzling as always with an all new Clay Fighter 2, Star Trek Academy and Blackthorne. The Clay tournament features new characters, moves and backgrounds in the fun claymation style of the original Clay Fighter plus six modes of play. Blackthorn rocks with great animation. graphics and sound in a sci-fi adventure that will leave you sweating. Star Trek Academy features missions and space battles from the perspective of Federation vessels and enemy ships. Here's your chance to be a Romulan! Interplay also announced that The Lost Vikings 2 should appear early next year.





Imagine Mario Kart with a four-player mode, bumper bashing tournaments, special attacks and drivers like Frank (short for Frankenstein) and Suzulu the tribal warrior. That's what Ubi Soft's surprising Street Racer looks like and drives like, Mode 7 graphic effects highlight this game, but the fun comes from great modes of play, like an all-out crunch fest in which opponents try to knock each other out of the ring. You can even play car soccer. or race the circuit and view your performance

graphics to die for

The Supervisor is watching you in Absolute's Rise of the Robots, but you'll be watching the spectacular graphics in this futuristic fighter, Mirage Technologies of the U.K. puts together smooth animation with responsive controls in the Super NES game to be released this fall. Although basically a tournament fighter in design, Rise has more of an adventure feel due to an interesting cyber story and cinema scenes between battles. Absolute also announced development of Star Trek Generations: Beyond The Nexus, which is based on the Star Trek Generations movie.

RISE OF THE ROBOTS



with a shorter title for this game, Mickey Mania mixes Disney animation with video gaming for an almost chematic experience. The Mickey animation was created using Silicon Graphics computers and Disney artists. The 7 stages of the game represent film features in which Mickey starred such as Steamboat Willie and Fantasia. Sony also showcased its ESPN license with several new sports games including ESPN Sports World and ESPN Sunday Night Football.

WILL THE REAL MICKEY PLEASE STAND UP?

interactive hollywood

Viacom, Disney, Time Warner and Fox all made big splashes at CES

for the first time. The movie and TV monoliths certainly have a thing or two to learn about the video game business, like how to make hit games, but they seem intent on making the effort, spending the bucks and keeping at it until they succeed. Viacom leads the Pak pack with Beavis & Butthead and Nickelodeon Guts for the fall line up. Disney, although working through other licensees like Virgin and Sony, are also set to produce their own games. Time Warner's Tengen will present Super RBI Baseball this fall along with other possible acquisitions. And Twentieth Century Fox, probably the most innovative and eager company of them all, is pushing forward with an underground comic book hero farce, The Tick, and a game based on this fall's release of The Pagemaster.







Spectrum's group of companies, which includes Spectrum Holobyte, Microprose and Bullet-Proof Software all showed top quality titles. Spectrum is now publishing Wild Snake as part of its puzzle series from Alexi Pajitnov, the creator of Tetris. Other puzzle games are in the works as are new Star Trek: The Next Generation adventures and a Super NES game based on The Next Generation movie, Microprose continues work on Super Civilization while BPS has a hot racer in Michael Andretti's Indy Car Challenge.



DANGER, AP ks Adventurers had to wander no further than the Enix and Square Soft booths

the vast Might & Magic III that brims with so many secrets that you could stick whiskers on it and call it a cat, Ultima: Runes of Virtue 2 (Super NES, not Game Boy,) and Ultima VII: The Black Gate. At Koei, the biggest news was Uncharted Waters-New Horizons. This sequel includes strategic, economic and RPG elements with six unique perspectives for the player to take. Aerobiz Supersonic and Nobunaga's Ambition-Lord of Darkness will also keep strategy gamers up late this fall.

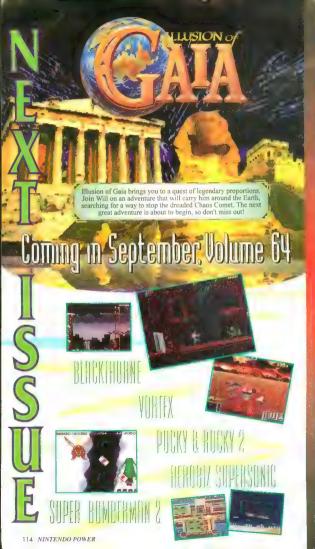


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what else is there

Super Bomberman II from Hudson, Flintstones, Addams Family Values and Jurassic Park 2 from Ocean, More Ren & Stimpy and seaQuest DSV from T*HQ, plus Bass Masters, Akira, and The Mask. Accolade showed an early Fireteam Rogue and a polished Bubsy 2, plus a 3-D fighter called Ballz from PF. Magic. Elite is working on two Super FX racing games: Powerslide and Dirt Racer. ElectroBrain, the first licensee to make a Super FX game, Vortex, also showed an early motocross game featuring Super FX power. Elect-

roBrain also showed Future Zone and Tommy Moe's Winter Extreme Skiing and Snowboarding. Tecmo put a unique sports vision and great options into Tecmo Super Baseball. Taito had Sonic Blastman 2 and Super Soccer Champ 2. Gametek had Churn & Burn with jet skiis and motorcycles. GTE Interactive, a new player in the video game world with a giant parent company looking over its shoulder, will bring out Jammit! (formerly licensed to Virgin) and Blades, an in-line hockey game for the Super NES.





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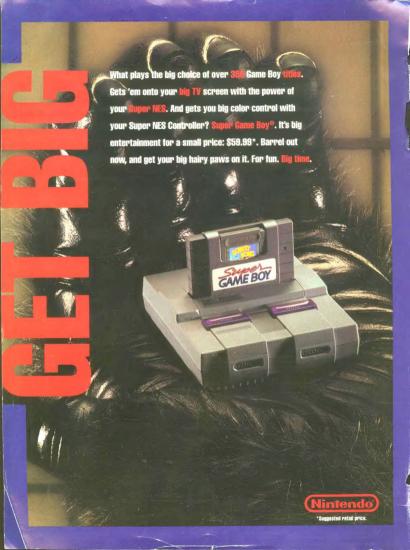
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